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Caps, Gowns, and a Build-Up of Events for Class of 2020

ORR School Committee

By Mick Colageo

Old Rochester Regional High School plans a real, live, in-the-flesh commencement, albeit in a less-lengthy, make-shift format to ensure proper spacing and public safety. The target date is 10:00 am on Saturday, August 8, with a rain date of Sunday, August 9, at the football field.

Here's the twist: The Class of 2020 will sit in the bleachers, and families will be spread out on the field.

"I will hand out diplomas in the rain if I have to," said ORR Principal Mike Devoll during the May 27, remote-access meeting of the ORR School Committee. "I marveled that a lot of decisions have had to be made with no guidance and no history, and we feel like we made the right decisions... It should be about what makes the most sense for our kids and our community."

Devoll didn't want to let the academic year-end with senior grades, which were due last week, and then not see those students again, so in meeting with committee members Heather Burke and Joe Pires a list of activities and events has emerged. Citing Pires' phrasing of "a slow drip of information," Devoll said, "We should really keep (the graduating seniors) active in our school community."

The slow drip of activities and events that will fall between now and commencement began on May 28 when graduating seniors visited the high school in drive-through fashion, spaced out according to homerooms, to return textbooks, pick up yearbooks and surprise gifts including a long-sleeve t-shirt decorated with the school-mascot Bulldog and "Quarantine" across the front.

On the Cover: Last October, the Old Rochester Regional Class of 2020 got together to "Celebrate Seniors." How much has changed since that time? When the Class of 2020 gathers for its August 8 commencement, the 175 graduates will be safely-spaced in the bleachers, and their families will be spread out safely on the football field where the students are seen in this October photo. Tickets will be required for commencement, and due to coronavirus-related concerns, the number of attendees will be limited. Congratulations to all the graduates of 2020! A list of graduates can be found on Page 34. Photo by Bodil Perkins

Other upcoming graduation-related events include: a June 14 YouTube event in which scholarships will be announced; on June 15 students will discuss a life decision that helped them; a June 19 Senior Parade in which students will form a motorcade behind police escort to visit district elementary schools while Fun 107 radio broadcasts live and recorded voice messages from graduates to staff and classmates with all cavalcades converging back at the high school; and August 4 (if allowed) the Senior Prom. There will also be an awards night in person or in video.

Traditionally held at noon, the 10:00 am commencement will comply with state mandates against an indoor gathering and against tents and, at the same time, spare attendees the hottest part of the day. Capacity will be limited and tickets will be issued for admittance.

Pires told the committee, "This is also going to help our underclassmen."

Chairperson Cary Humphrey suggested the event could begin a new tradition. "We want to celebrate these seniors like they've never been celebrated before because

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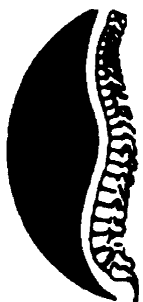
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of what they've been through."

Some colleges may open as early as August 10, but Devoll was pleased to inform the committee that student-athletes have been given permission by their college sports programs to come back for the August 8-9 weekend to participate in ORR's commencement.

Four ORR students addressed the committee meeting to discuss their experiences with remote learning and offer feedback.

"It definitely made us realize how much we really took everything for granted," said senior class vice president Cecilia "Ceci" Prefontaine. "Even though I enjoy going to school, we definitely have a greater appreciation for life... Besides that, I think our teachers have done a very good job with remote learning."

"With this whole situation, we're focusing the best that we can... I now know that we have been taking everything for granted... It is going okay, but it is so much better being in class," said Autumn Tilly, who has been helping in an effort to make some slides of the seniors.

"I think that the way this school has handled online learning is the best that we could have done. It's not perfect, but it's a really good mix of synchronous and asynchronous (learning)," said Ally Ward. "We're all dealing with the world and each of us has stressors... we try to communicate."

Junior Eddie Gonet prepared a list "because the school has been doing so much for us students." He noted the opportunity to learn about careers and new interests, the club hours where students can gain emotional support, the student council's food bank supported by a Go Fund Me web campaign, seeing familiar faces at online yoga, and alumni presentations where students hear about the steps after high school and how ORR assists students after graduation. "I thank everyone, they're

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doing the best they can and the best they can is the best around here," said Gonet.

Prefontaine agreed with Gonet's assessment that ORR is handling the ramifications of the coronavirus pandemic "well and better than some districts."

ORR Junior High School Principal Silas Coellner reported that feedback led to the junior high making more frequent connections with students, offering more online live sessions via Zoom and Google Meet. "Now students have three opportunities a day and 25 opportunities a week," he said.

Incoming (as of July 1) Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson reported that ORR has offered to hold each Individual Education Plan meeting that should have been held and that there has been a 95 percent response rate.

"I know some school districts are going toward remote only; we're keeping the door open for a hybrid model," said Nelson of ORR's summer outlook. "Things change each day, each week. Right now, the summer is a remote plan, but we're staying ready to expand."

Superintendent of Schools Doug White said

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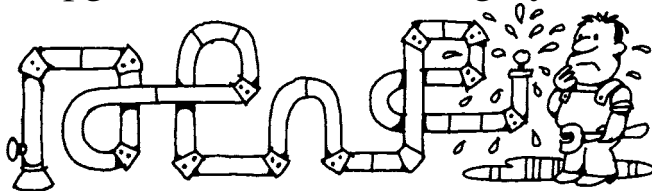
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that ORR District school offices are fully staffed with safe protocols and proper training in state guidelines. Buildings, however, are still not open to the public.

Nelson indicated that by mid-June superintendents will receive an update on the potential for a return to school in the fall.

"We're working hand in hand with Gene Jones with (personal protective equipment). Doug and I meet weekly with union presidents from the districts," said Nelson, who has been interacting with teachers and town officials regarding what a possible fall return to school would look like. "There are no details yet, but it's on our minds each and every day."

White cautioned the committee that, "We don't

know what the Board of Health in each community is going to say we can and cannot do."

Debbie Dyson addressed the committee about a girl from Denmark who had planned to attend ORR in the fall. The committee voted to postpone the student's arrival and all exchange programs to 2021, pending further developments relative to COVID-19.

Tony Rosselli was invited to discuss his ongoing audit of the ORR School District and addressed a few issues: ORR's archaic phone system and its limitations in assisting police in the event of an intrusion; the uncertainty of Chapter 70 aid next year; four budget deficits including nearly \$150,000 in athletics; along with the district's falling bond rating.

The committee would later approve \$29,100 in funding for a new phone system in the high school, junior high and central office. The quote was for \$70,000, \$41,000 of which would be canceled by a refund.

Rosselli also pointed out that ORR does not have a regional stabilization fund.

"I would like to see a capital stabilization fund. There are revenue stabilization funds (that act as circuit breakers if Chapter 70 is cut). Once those are established, you have a vehicle to put money away," he explained. "They're rainy-day funds... It's pouring out. You folks don't have that; you don't have anything."

After discussion, White said the matter will go onto the committee's June 17 meeting agenda, along with a decision on the other capital-planning project, a net funding of \$54,000 to upgrade auditorium lighting and safety rigging.

In other business, the committee approved Project Bread's \$3,000 donation for ORR's nutrition program.

White reported that engineers have looked at three phases for the high school's new football press box, which will include a handicapped-accessible elevator. All funding has been secured. Humphrey thanked Booster Club president Justin Shay for his work on the project.

The committee approved a 1/12 budget for FY21 that only comes into play should June 22 area town meetings not be held.

Along with some timely revisions to the high school student handbook, the committee approved additional funds for retirees beyond two to up to four individuals to receive early-retirement incentive packages.

Finally, Nelson reported having partnered with principals around the issue of cultural proficiency in a program called "Diversity Talks," in which 700 participants in Grades 7-12 met online on May 27 and heard a student share her experience working through issues of racial tension, staff relations, and what Nelson called "non-negotiables," adding that, "We're committed to make (ORR) a place where all students feel comfortable."

The ORR School Committee is scheduled to meet one more time before the town meetings on Wednesday, June 17.

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Marion Police Chief Kneels in Solidarity

By Jean Perry

There hadn't been a gathering in the village of Marion of this many people in months.

Nearly 200 citizens in face masks converged on the lawn of the Marion Music Hall on the afternoon of June 2 in solidarity with the rest of the nation to protest the death of George Floyd, an unarmed black man whose pleas of "I can't breathe" were captured on video and made viral on social media.

Outrage ensued as the nation watched Minneapolis Police Officer Derek Chauvin pin Floyd's neck to the ground with his knee for six minutes as Floyd



begged for air, and another three minutes after Floyd went unconscious. A series of not-so-peaceful protests erupted on May 25 as millions called for the firing and arrest of Chauvin and the three complicit officers, followed by a "Kneel for Nine" movement that started spreading across the country shortly after.

Marion resident Margaret McSweeney told *The Wanderer* that the injustice



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of Floyd's murder and the need for accountability of the officers involved compelled her to organize a Kneel for Nine gathering in Marion so that she and her fellow community members could join in solidarity. She addressed the crowd: "If you are like me, you are here because you cannot sit idly by while racism spreads like wildfire. We must fight fire with fire. In the words



of Angela Davis, 'It is not enough to be non-racist; we must be anti-racist.' As an ally, I recognize my privilege and will use it any way that I can to help fight the oppression of people of color."

McSweeney then led the assembled

in nine minutes of kneeling. Some held signs while the children held their parents' hands. Others steadied themselves with their canes.

Marion Police Chief John Garcia was down on one knee on the grass in his police uniform, his hand gently gripping the opposite wrist. Beside him was Selectman Randy Parker.

"It was heartbreaking," said Garcia recalling the first time he saw the footage of a restrained Floyd suffocating beneath Chauvin's knee.

"Nobody dislikes a bad cop more than a good cop."

Garcia listened as people rose to speak.

"If we cannot get rid of the police union there will never be any kind of meaningful systemic reform," said Marion resident John Grullon, raising his voice to be heard once the nine minutes were over.



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"It's accurate," Garcia told *The Wanderer* during a follow-up. Police unions sometimes prevent police departments from discharging incompetent or corrupt police officers, Garcia said, but not so much in Marion. He explained, "We're not a civil-service department so it's a bit easier in Marion. And that tactic of putting your knee on someone's neck... has not been an approved tactic in Massachusetts for many years."

"It was a terrible, horrific event that really shouldn't have happened," said Garcia.

Talon Gomes, 24, said Floyd's case was "an easy one" for which to demand justice, "but it's not just about the murders," he continued. "It's about... traffic stops for no reason, harassment for no reason..."



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Gomes' had his own similar past experience but didn't go viral, he said. "It doesn't need to. Everything matters. This is an easy one – a really easy one. We need everyone with that same energy every single day, every single day."

"Unfortunately, it takes certain disasters for us (police officers) to be elevated again in the community's eyes," said Garcia. With the COVID-19 pandemic, Garcia said police officers had been considered first responders, essential workers. "We were getting that hero status back."

Garcia's mask could hide his frown, but not his eyes as he fought back emotion.

"Most of us got into this to help people," said Garcia. He paused. "And to be lumped in with the killers of minorities – it's heartbreaking."

Garcia is set to retire come the New Year after 35 years as an officer.

"Since I was 21 it's all I've ever done," said Garcia. "It was always my heartfelt desire to help people. And somewhere along the line over the last several years, cops have become the bad guys – and then it's your life's work flushed down the toilet."

As the crowd dispersed, many came to thank Garcia for his presence and settled for an elbow bump in lieu of a handshake.

"There has to be some down-to-earth work done," said Selectman Parker. Like many there that day, it was Parker's first experience attending such a demonstration of solidarity.

Hardwood Has Not Heard the Last of Allen-Murdock

By Mick Colageo

Aaron Allen-Murdock won't let a little knee injury discourage his hoop dreams.

The 19-year-old Marion native was all ready to run the fast break right into the Old Rochester Regional High School gymnasium to retrieve his Class of 2020 yearbook when he was whistled for a three-second lane violation.

Allen-Murdock's momentary miscue amused the

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A big reason for the smiles and laughter was the positive energy exuded by a student whose goals have dimensionally expanded thanks to a dramatic loss of weight from 250 to 170 pounds. Eager to make his mentors proud, the 5-foot-7 guard is essentially paying forward the support he received from classmates who noticed he was on a mission.

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noticed it," said Allen-Murdock, who had his heart set on playing varsity basketball for ORR when he tore the anterior-cruciate ligament in his right knee while playing basketball last fall at the Gleason Family YMCA in Wareham.

During recovery, he gained back 15-20 of the 60 pounds he had lost from "habits and the injury part because I was down. The thing is, when you're down, you want to eat because you feel bad so you just do it," he explained. "The thing is I wanted to work out, and you've got to remember I just lost 50-something pounds, and I'm injured and I can't go to the gym at all now. It was hard on me."



Along the way back to full mobility, Allen-Murdock righted his ship, resumed what he calls the "16-8 diet" (i.e. 16 hours of fasting and an eight-hour window to eat) and got his weight down to 170 pounds. Now he wants to add muscle mass while continuing to lose fat.

"My goal is to get in the best shape of my life," he said. "I think I'm capable of walking on. At a very healthy weight with muscle mass, I think I am capable of playing for a (Division III) college basketball team."

Allen-Murdock plans to attend Cape Cod Community College for the next two academic years before transferring.

His dream job is to someday call play-by-play for an NBA team. To that end, he studied in Mike Beson's

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sports-media class. Allen-Murdock has an Instagram page on which he posts Celtics analysis and NBA-related notes.

Beson says Allen-Murdock was “always a hard worker” in high school. “Anything that sports came into it, he was so excited about it.”

The value in a sports-media class, says Beson, is in exposing students to what really goes on and what’s required on a daily basis.

“To have to write and do something for hours at a time and not just love it when you’re watching it,” is a true test, one that Beson said Allen-Murdock passes with flying colors. “Aaron loves doing anything and everything with sports. (For him it’s) pure excitement.” Allen-Murdock participated in his high school’s

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fledgling Unified sports program, impressing former ORR basketball player and future superintendent Mike Nelson, who was on hand for the May 27 graduation-related event.

"His personality and the way he went about it, in terms of the care he brought and the attitude to make everyone feel included; it was contagious," said Nelson. "I feel that anyone who would watch any of the games would be proud of him... I think he really set the stage for future years."

Led by Principal Mike Devoll who was at curbside with clipboard in hand, several members of the ORR faculty and staff gave the arriving seniors in their cars a memorable sendoff. Students returned textbooks

and received COVID-19 kits and a Bulldog "Quarantine" long-sleeve t-shirt.

The first to arrive was Rochester native Abby Aldworth, 18. A former Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School student, Aldworth changed course and attended ORR for her senior year. She plans a gap year for 2020-21 and will take online courses at Bristol Community College while plotting a new direction.

"I wanted to be a nurse initially, and then I kind of figured out that that wasn't the path I wanted to take," said Aldworth, who did become a certified nursing assistant and works at Sippican School.

Aldworth, who drove up with her mother Donna, graduates the same year as older sister Lindsay Aldworth, a Bristol Aggie alumna who just graduated with Bridgewater State University's Class of 2020.

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Water Committee Dissolved with Pierce Retirement

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Mick Colageo

Upon the retirement of longtime public servant David Pierce from his final role as chairperson of the Marion Water Committee and the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission, the Marion Board of Selectmen voted to dissolve the water committee and take on its responsibilities.

The Board of Selectmen in Marion also acts as water and sewer commissioners, so it will now divvy up duties associated with the water committee and interact with the Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Preservation Advisory Committee and Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply District Commission while keeping its relationship with Rochester intact as well.

Marion Board of Selectmen Chairperson Randy Parker and Department of Public Works Director David Willett already sit on the District Commission, so the transition is expected to flow smoothly.

According to Town Administrator Jay McGrail, this new responsibility will entail quarterly meetings with Rochester Water Commission representative Fred Underhill. McGrail told the meeting that the Water

Committee voted unanimously to move forward pending Board of Selectmen's approval.

Upon hearing this news and engaging in discussion, the selectmen went straight into reconstruction mode. Parker suggested that the quarterly meeting dates follow MRVWSPAC/MRVWSDC meetings so that he and Willett can properly inform with the latest information.

Selectman John Waterman cited the opportunity to include periodic updates on the wastewater treatment plant and Route 6.

Selectman Norm Hills asked if the water committee had a clearly laid-out mission, McGrail said no. Waterman added that the agenda was always the same and suggested the selectmen develop a mission statement to keep the reorganized group on task.

A motion to dissolve the water committee passed, and after discussion, McGrail said the new schedule would be set according to the final Wednesday of each quarter at 4:00 pm. He will invite Underhill and engineers Tata and Howard if appropriate.

As part of McGrail's Action Item list, a May 19 credit memo Water and Sewer commitment of \$1,808.28 was approved.

The board approved the reappointment of Zoning Board of Appeals Chairperson Marc LeBlanc following a one-year term. Potential rotation of the role was discussed as is the case in Marion's other boards including the



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Waterman asked that it be written into the record that the Board of Selectmen waived the standard requirement of an interview and also suggested that Marion get some Tabor Academy people on the town's committees, be it faculty or administrators. "It's a way of connecting us better with Tabor," he said.

Board of Health Chairperson John Howard is a Tabor alumnus and has had children and grandchildren attend the prep school.

In his Town Administrator's Report, McGrail opened by thanking Pierce for many years serving on Planning Board, Energy Management, Housing Authority, the Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply committee

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and commission and the Board of Selectmen, in several cases serving as chair.

Dave Flaherty was officially introduced as the town's new, part-time health agent. "Dave is actually the first... in a really long time... health agent who actually works for the town," said McGrail.

Flaherty has worked for Wareham, Raynham and Yarmouth in health and town administration. Flaherty began working at 10:00 am on May 29, less than an hour after agreeing to a contract. Parker noted prior positive experience working with Flaherty.

McGrail also introduced Caleb White as the town's summer intern scheduled to work one day per week. White, whose role may expand later in the summer, worked in the Planning department last year in Sandwich. He will be a senior in the fall at Western New England University.

Action items also included a review and approved a new policy for town vehicles that will become effective January 1, 2021.

On Monday, June 15, Marion will hold a public hearing from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm to walk the Board of Selectmen through the 58-article warrant for the June 22 Town Meeting. McGrail will assign articles with each of the three selectmen according to their levels of involvement with those articles so that they can be best prepared for discussion.

As of now, McGrail sees it as a Zoom meeting.



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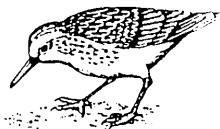
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"The question part is a little challenging. If we have 15 people, it will be manageable via the chat function or the raising of hands; if it's 50, that's more of a challenge. Zoom is not super friendly (for questions)," he explained.

Hills suggested having attendees register so the board can respond with answers. Waterman suggested a moderator categorize questions according to immediate versus prepared, written responses and to set a time limit of 90 minutes for questions and answers.

Parker said the warrant needs to be out to the public beforehand or the hearing doesn't make a lot of sense. McGrail said the warrant went to the printer over a week ago.

The board authorized McGrail to move on the Mary's Pond well-field pump-station upgrade. After Tata and Howard estimated costs, \$600,000 was budgeted for the projects, and bids came in below that amount. D&C Construction was the low bidder.

McGrail told the board that restaurants will be requesting outside seating areas and that on June 16 there will be opportunities for discussion.

Town Meeting's RSVP process has yielded 30-40 registered attendees; Marion's quorum is 50. McGrail will know on June 15 if the town needs to use the Tabor Academy fieldhouse as a fourth location.

Asked at adjournment by *The Wanderer*, McGrail said that the town had planned for the "Kneel for Nine" peaceful protest set for the night of the meeting, June 2, at the Music Hall. "We have staffing plans in place with the Chief of Police (John Garcia); he will be down there to oversee the event."

The protest remained peaceful, and Garcia kneeled with participants in acknowledgment of last week's tragic death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and the need for healing across the nation.

Warrant Articles Reviewed in Advance of Town Meeting

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Mick Colageo

Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar summarized Town Meeting warrant articles for the Board

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of Selectmen during its June 1 remote access meeting. The board will hold at least one more meeting before the Monday, June 22, 7:00 pm Town Meeting at Rochester Memorial School.

The annual operating budget will see a 1.97 percent increase for FY21 to cover general government, public safety, public works, human services, cultural and recreation programs, fixed costs, debt and insurances. The total is approximately \$22,200,000. "FinCom worked very hard to get this budget; it covers the needs as well as our fixed costs," said Szyndlar.

Szyndlar's rundown of warrant articles yielded the following highlights:

Article 10 addresses capital funding from

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the Capital Improvement Fund: Among the six items recommended are: technological upgrades at Rochester Memorial School in excess of \$26,000; an HVAC rooftop compressor; town hall basement work at \$7,000; a message-board trailer \$16,000, a walk-in refrigerator; and a gas-burner for the Council on Aging.

Article 11 is a highway excavator at \$99,500 that would be paid for with free cash. Capital planning had it as a recommendation but there is no funding source.

Article 12 proposes a change to the date of the town election to the fourth Wednesday of May, which would schedule the election after town meeting in a departure of the tradition. (Due to circumstances falling out from the coronavirus pandemic, this year's town

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election will be held on Wednesday, June 17, with town meeting on Monday, June 22.)

Articles 16 and 17 proposed the town's acceptance of changes to Forbes Road and Douglas Corner Road.

Town Counsel Blair Bailey said the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the matter on Tuesday, June 9, and the Board of Selectmen will need one more meeting before town meeting, then town meeting votes on acceptance. Bailey clarified that the two roads affect one section of the Connet Woods development and that the Planning Board will vote on whether the proposal is complete enough to accept.

Article 18 proposes an easement at Ryder Road and Old Middleboro Road for access to Seaboard Solar

Holding LLC. Bailey said the affected stretch of Old Middleboro Road is considered an "ancient way" so the work would not be allowed unless improved to a standard set by the Planning Board. Old Middleboro Road's traditional route comes close at one point to a wetland. The Conservation Commission was asked by the applicant to encroach town property abutting Old Middleboro Road in order to avoid wetlands. Selectman Brad Morse asked if the easement would result in better access to Rochester's town-owned property, to which Bailey answered, "Yes. It'll go far beyond our piece."

Article 19 proposes crediting firefighters with up to five years of service toward retirement benefits for years of "call duty" before officially becoming town employees. Bailey explained that several former call firefighters now work for the Department of Public Works or the Highway Department, and this would credit those employees as though they were officially in town employment during their call-firefighting careers.

Morse and Woody Hartley sought more detail in terms of number affected and financial impact. Exact numbers were not available, but Bailey said it was not many. "We have to know that," said Morse, who said he is "in favor of it" but that the selectmen have to do their homework and be able to defend the approval at town meeting.

Article 21 will see the town vote on whether to appropriate \$300,000 instead of the originally planned \$100,000 addition to the stability fund. "Because of the environment that we're in and uncertain budget cycles, we need to be prudent and put as much as possible into our stability fund," said Szyndlar.

Article 22 is a citizens' petition to transfer from free cash \$50,000 in order to reduce the tax rate.

In her Town Administrator's Report, Szyndlar reported having recently received a Green Communities grant contract. Rochester applied for \$136,000 to assist with energy conservation measures, lighting controls, spray valves, technical assistance at the Council on Aging, Fire Department, Library, Police Department, Memorial School, and Town Hall. Once the state's Department of Energy Resources responds, Rochester can approve the



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targeted projects that were voted forward at last fall's town meeting. None of the projects, said Szyndlar, fall under the capital funding category.

"It's important that we walked through the list," said Szyndlar. "This money is going to carry over the next few years." She added a longer-range dimension to their significance in terms of value and "biggest bang for the buck" because Rochester in this scenario is more likely to be granted approval by energy resources. "Some of these seem minor," she said, "but it's really gearing up for the future contracts that we have." Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon played a role along with vendors and consultants. "We did some really great research and made some really good decisions. It was a good team," said Szyndlar.

As of June 1, half of Rochester's early-voting applications had been sent out with the remaining number expected to be received by Thursday, June 4.

Szyndlar reported that town buildings remain subject to restrictions and protocols including 25 percent occupancy and six feet of personal separation. "Until we can meet these requirements, Town Hall and the Annex will postpone interactions with the public except by appointment only," she said.

The town website will soon have details regarding access to Town Hall, Annex, Council on Aging, and Library. "We have to keep the employees safe as well, so we really have to give this some detailed thought



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here," said Szyndlar, alluding to the challenge presented by the confined spacing in the town's public buildings.

The board went into executive session to discuss the potential purchase of land at Rounseville Road, and came back to public session to vote to approve an order not to exceed \$160,000 in an effort to make that purchase.

Hartley reported a positive meeting with other town department heads, along with an online training he attended on COVID-19 as it affects elections and town meeting. "We spent most of the time (in the multi-department meeting) talking about COVID-19, but it was well attended and a well thought out meeting. It was a good meeting to attend. (It) made you feel good about our town," he said.



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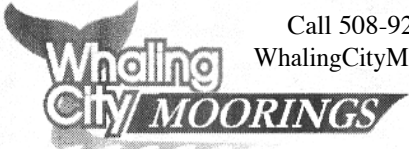
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Grant Would Help Determine Direction of Wastewater Project

Marion Planning Board

By Mick Colageo

Marion's Department of Public Works is preparing to apply for a coastal-resiliency grant aimed at benefitting the town's wastewater collection system. The grant totals \$300,000, 25 percent of which has to come from the town. There is an article on the draft warrant for the June 22 town meeting to provide Marion's \$75,000 portion.

In his Town Planner Report, Gil Hilario told the Planning Board during its June 1 remote access meeting that a year and a half ago he and Planning Board member Norm Hills were doing the grunt work associated with preparing an application for the grant without the aid of a DPW director (David Willett was not yet onboard). Hilario and Hills went inside every single pumping station to take measurements and record information

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necessary to present the town's case.

"A lot of work went into that first initial project and we need to continue it to make it work, otherwise it would be a waste. I'm happy to see us applying (for the grant)," said Hilario.

The money will fund design and planning work to help Marion decide whether to upgrade or build a new pumping station.

An Approval Not Required (ANR) application was filed by Tangi Pina, 1011B Point Road, for the acquisition of land immediately behind her property. After a brief discussion, the Planning Board approved the transfer without a formal review process.

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Parcel A more non-conforming and clearly it does not," said Board Chairperson Will Saltonstall.

Hills asked if the acquired lot is buildable. Saltonstall explained that it is not and is only being acquired to create a backyard for the owner of the smaller portion of the property.

The board passed a motion to approve the ANR transfer of the property. Signatures were to be made by board members.

Saltonstall said an applicant wants to move an ice cream shop into the place where a candy store had been next to the barbershop at the juncture of Spring Street and Route 6. He said the board is likely to hear a presentation in the next couple of weeks. Technically,

explained Saltonstall, ice cream is fast food and therefore will require a special permit.

Hilario said it will almost be a repeat of the same application with just a different tenant on the same property.

Saltonstall said, that in order to waive a pre-submission hearing – the Planning Board decides – there might be an environmental assessment of the facility. "That might be a little overkill for the level of thing that's being proposed here," he said. More discussion and potentially the presentation will be heard at the board's next meeting.

In keeping with the requirements of his report, Hilario reporting on managing the town's single Zoom account. Various departments request its use from Town Administrator Jay McGrail and, upon approval, Hilario sets up their meetings. He's managed Zoom meetings for everything from the town's adjudicatory boards to meditation class.

The Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 15, to discuss warrant articles for the June 22 town meeting and the potential application for the ice cream shop.

Front Street Flooding Draws Official Visits

Marion Conservation Commission

By Matthew Donato

In a remote access meeting on May 27, the Marion Conservation Commission spent the majority of its time addressing citizens' inquiries related to flooding on Front Street. According to inquiries, large amounts of standing water had collected after significant rainfall events and inhibited the use of driveways along Front Street.

Bob Larson, the property manager for St. Gabriel's Church, submitted the inquiry along with pictures of flooding around the church. His concerns stemmed from an increase in flooding that prevents the use of the driveway on the property after heavy rain.

"When the school is in session, (teachers) use that driveway all the time, and they take the children down the driveway to use the playground," Larson told the commission. While the school is currently not in session

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due to the coronavirus, Larson feared that without a solution the problems would persist through reopening.

Chair Jeffrey Doubrava confirmed the increases in flooding. "I went the day after the heavy rainfall, and I observed lots of standing water on the driveway that separates 120 Front Street from St. Gabriel's Church," he said.

Larson suspected that the recent increases in flooding around the area were likely related to the construction of a new house next to the church. "This is something new that started with the construction of the property. The drainage from the property runs into the driveway. I don't think they should be able to do more work without solving the existing problems," said Larson.

In addition to the flooding problems, Doubrava noted that the property in question also may have constructed a retaining wall without proper approval from the commission. "The property owner had been in to see us about six weeks ago asking for a minor modification of the plan to put a retaining wall in place," Doubrava explained.

That request for modification was denied by the commission on the basis that the property owner needed to go through an amended-order process. Despite the denial from the commission, the retaining wall has been constructed.

Doubrava also mentioned another citizen inquiry related to the same site that described an increase in filling

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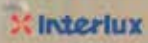
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in the surrounding wetlands area. On a visit to the site, Doubrava suggested that the increase in filling was not substantial, but unapproved changes to the property were present.

"The siltation barrier that essentially defines the wetlands area in the back of the property is still where it was before," said Doubrava. "I don't think there has been any filling of the wetlands, but there has been work done on the site not consistent with the approved plans."

Vice-Chair Shaun Walsh noted inconsistencies with the original plans on his visit to the site as well. "I went to the site the day after the flooding complaints, and the retaining wall that I saw runs adjacent to the school and church property," said Walsh. "My recollection is

that the applicant was before us last time to construct a retaining wall to the rear of the lot along the wetlands. It was not on the plan of record approved when we issued the order of conditions."

The property owners were scheduled to meet with the Conservation Commission on June 3 to further discuss their plans and explain changes to the construction site. Larson told the commission that he would appear at the public hearings along with other members of the neighborhood to provide feedback on the situation.

Commission members moved on to address a number of backlogged issues put before them.

A certificate of compliance was issued for water line and utility-line replacement work done on Moorings Road. The certificate was provided after workers successfully maintained a siltation barrier installed to protect surrounding wetlands. The work began three years ago, and the siltation barrier was successfully maintained up through last fall at the commission's request.

Brian Arthur also received a certificate of compliance for the construction of a pier and modification to floats at 17 Moorings Road. On his site visit, Commission member Marc Bellanger confirmed that the construction matched the plans and turned out very well.

Susan Neilson, the engineer of the plan, provided the commission with the revised Chapter 91 license required for completion of the project. The license issued in May 2011 satisfied the requirements for the construction of a new float system.

The commission's final business was related to a discussion of work being done on a lot north of 25 Cove Circle. Walsh explained that the owner of the lot seemed to have done some cutting and burning of vegetation without approval from the commission. The commission agreed to draft a letter explaining that the observed activity may be subject to jurisdiction, and no further activity should occur unless a request for determination of applicability is put to the commission.

The next Marion Conservation Commission meeting was scheduled to take place on June 3.

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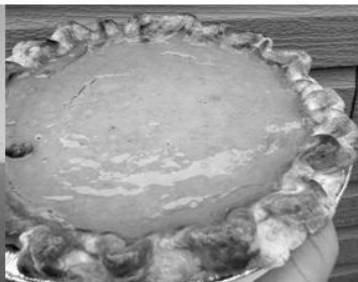
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Wetlands Well Construction Requires More Explanation

Rochester Conservation Commission

By Matthew Donato

The Rochester Conservation Commission reviewed plans for new housing developments and their potential impact on wetlands areas in their meeting held on June 2.

Stephen Meltzer of Edgewood Development, representing plans put forth by Willow Creek Builders, presented an outline for the proposed construction of wells on Box Turtle Drive and Horse Neck Road. The wells, which would serve two homes currently under construction, need to be constructed in the 100-foot wetlands buffer zone.

"Because of the geometry and regulations to keep wells 150-feet away from septic systems, we were forced to put wells in the 100-foot buffer zone," said Meltzer. In order to stay away from an existing septic system, the well will have to be positioned 44-feet into the buffer zone.

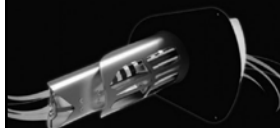
Meltzer expressed his confidence in protecting wetlands areas and his experience working with these types of lots in the past. "We had a number of these lots in the Connet Woods area. We haven't had any issues. We are well into the eighties of the lots we have done. There are probably six to eight of these (with wells) that are within the buffer zone," Meltzer explained to the



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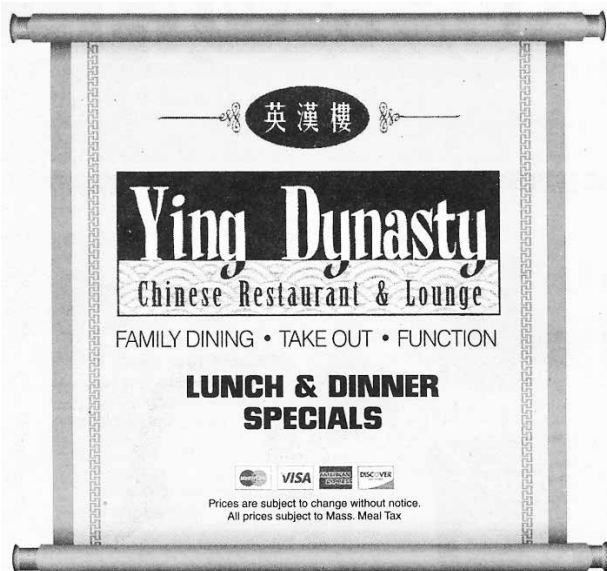
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commission.

In terms of wetland protection, Meltzer explained that the wells would include a silt fence and any additional protections that the commission saw fit to protect the surrounding areas. Further, the paths leading to the wells would be constructed in a way that would avoid the cutting of any large trees and form routes only through low shrubs.

Of the two plans presented, the lot located on Box Turtle Drive received the most approval and was allowed to go forward. This came after Meltzer presented plans that clearly demonstrated that the location of the well could not be moved in any way to avoid the buffer zone.

Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon displayed

images showing the low shrubs that would need to be cleared in order to access the well. "There wouldn't be too much damage to existing trees," said Farinon. "Due to the geometry of the lot, it forces it into this location."

The second plan, for the lot located on Horse Neck Road, was questioned by the commission. The commission agreed that the plans presented by Meltzer did not adequately demonstrate that the regulations and geometry of the lot demanded it be constructed in that particular location.

Vice Chairman Daniel Gagne asked Meltzer if his engineers could draft a letter explaining the conditions and reasons that demanded that this be the only possible location for the well's construction. Meltzer agreed to provide the letter, and the request for Determination of Applicability was continued to the next scheduled meeting.

The commission moved on to address a Notice of Intent continued from their meeting held on April 21. The Notice of intent, filed by Steen Realty and Development Corp, deals with proposed work to be done in the 100-foot buffer zone of a vegetated wetlands area. The massive project deals with associated grading and drainage outfall installation associated with the development of 208 residential units and a commercial space within the Cranberry Highway Smart Growth Overlay District.

Phil Cordeiro, representing the development, came before the commission to address a number of changes made to the plan to alleviate concerns raised in their previous meeting. The majority of those concerns stemmed from the fact that so much work needed to be done in buffer zones and no disturb zones.

Cordeiro explained that the amended plans modify the proposed outlet pipe to keep all of that associated work out of the 25-foot no disturb zone. In addition, the proposed dumpster pad was moved out of the 100-foot wetlands buffer zone to protect the area from potential runoff. The final change included a retaining wall around parts of the site to prevent drainage into the wetlands.

Henry Nover, who has been working closely with Cordeiro on the amended plan, explained that he still

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needed time to address inconsistencies in the new plan. "There is a lot of information presented in chart form, and there are some conflicts within those charts. I would like to get that in writing to present it to the commission," said Nover.

With so much work still needed to be done to finalize the plan and Cordeiro requiring final approval from the Rochester Planning Board, the commission agreed to order a continuance of the topic to July 7.

The commission's final business involved a request put forth by property owner Sonia Amaral for a property located on 28 Snow's Pond Road. Amaral came before the commission in order to explain her plan for the construction of a new porch on her property.

Amaral's request for Determination of Applicability was based on her plan that would bring construction of the porch near the 25-foot no-disturb zone. Amaral presented a plan for a notched deck and for a rectangular deck. She admitted that she preferred the rectangular plan despite its challenges. The rectangular design would bring the porch right up to the 25-foot no-disturb line, but it would require less digging. Amaral explained that the limited digging would provide less disturbance to her existing lawn area.

Farinon supported the plan, as it did not cross into the no-disturb zone and seemed to have little environmental impact. "She is doing work right up to the 25-foot no-disturb zone. We are not talking about sensitive



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vegetation. It's within an existing yard area. It could easily be done without any adverse effects," Farinon told the commission.

Following Farinon's recommendation, the commission issued a negative Determination of Applicability so that a Notice of Intent will not be required for the project to go forward.

The next Rochester Conservation Commission Meeting is scheduled to take place on June 16.

Window Open to Public During Hearings

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

Chairman Mike King of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission has established an ebb and flow to public hearings, especially those where abutters' concerns are raised and/or the complexity of a project warrants additional time in the "new normal" of remote meetings.

King has commented several times during the pandemic emergency that he believes it is important to give the public, especially abutters, additional time to review filed engineered drawings and other pertinent documentation given that the remote-meeting platform can be difficult for some to work with on their home computers. Also, some projects have many technical documents and engineered plans not easily shared in a remote meeting, King believes. During the May 27

meeting, the chairman reopened several public hearings to vet any remaining concerns the public might wish to air before making final deliberations.

One such meeting was the Notice of Intent filing by Scott Snow, 27 Nashawena Road, for the construction of a single-family home in a designated flood zone on a previously permitted foundation. In what became a months-long process with abutters hiring Bill Madden of G.A.F Engineering to put forward their concerns over the proposed project, the commissioners heard several main themes, most notably concern over ground-water runoff, whether or not the construction would adhere to the latest FEMA regulations, and the amount of fill along with resource-area reduction that might take place.

Each comment raised by Madden was addressed by the applicant's representative, Richard Rheame, of Prime Engineering. As needed and required by the commission, the plan of record was updated to ensure areas of concern were being addressed. On this night they were ready to vote.

Before closing the public hearing, King asked if the public wished to speak. Silence ensued. The hearing was closed. A set of conditions prepared in advance of the meeting was approved. Conservation Agent Liz Leidhold said no one from the public had requested to view documents filed by the applicant and that the office had received revised plans. The project was approved with conditions.

The NOI filed by James Craig for property located off of Aucot Road for the construction of a pier that will traverse marshland was also reopened. Represented by David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon and Leone, Inc., the commissioners heard that the application had been reviewed by the Massachusetts Wildlife's Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program, which mandated turtle fencing and other measures for the protection of endangered turtles. The fencing plan, Davignon noted, was now on the plan of record.

Mats that will be used to protect some portions of the marshlands during the construction of the pier were discussed. Davignon said that a report spanning several growing seasons would be provided to the commission to

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demonstrate the health of the marsh area in question post-disturbance.

Again, King asked if the public wished to make any comments. Hearing none, the public hearing was closed and the project was conditioned.

A final project falling into the still-open category was a NOI filed by Andrew and Sarah Bishins, 20 Winnatuxet Beach Road, for the construction of an addition to an existing home and renovations. King inquired about erosion-control measures. Davignon responded that several layers of erosion-control materials would be used especially on the downward slope. The public hearing was closed after additional comments were called. None were offered. The project was conditioned.

In other matters, turtle fencing was discussed for 38 and 40 Prince Snow Circle. Number 38, owned by Whitman Homes, was represented by developer Bart O'Brien who said that the turtle plan was in place, although there were no immediate plans to develop the lot. Number 40, represented by David Andrews of the Bay Club, also confirmed a plan was in place. The commissioners were satisfied that documents were in order; thusly both NOI filings were conditioned.

Extension of Orders of Conditions for 78A through 90 Shagbark Circle and Lots 61, 62, and 51 Dupont Drive were approved.

Continuances were granted to Alexander Makkas, 16 Island View Avenue, for a Certificate of Compliance, as well as a NOI filed by Dale Leavitt of Blue Stream Shellfish.

The next meeting of the Mattapoissett Conservation Commission is scheduled for June 8 at 6:30 pm; remote-platform details will be posted at www.mattapoissett.net.

Snow Denied Covenant Amendment

Mattapoissett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

Appearing remotely before the Mattapoissett Planning Board during their June 1 meeting was local developer Scott Snow. He requested that the board members approve an amendment to an existing covenant for the Eldridge Estates subdivision located off Prospect Road. The covenant maintains that the roadway would be completed prior to any construction of homes in the subdivision.

One pre-existing home had to be relocated because it was situated within the approved roadway design. However, Snow appealed to the board members to grant him permission to place the now temporarily relocated home on a permanent foundation before doing the roadway construction.

During the course of the discussion, several board members questioned why Snow simply didn't construct the roadway, thus the home could be permitted with a permanent foundation and other permits necessary to



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complete its construction. Snow explained that, due to the coronavirus pandemic, he had been moving slowly but that he wished to give the subcontractor who had moved the home to the temporary structure his equipment back sooner rather than later. "(The subcontractor) is paid in full. If I have to move the house twice, it will cost me another \$10,000," he pleaded.

Snow urged the board to "help" him saying, "You are here to help people, not hurt them." When pressed to simply build the road, Snow conceded that "mistakes have been made." He said, however, that conversation regarding potential modifications to the roadway and the drainage system were for another meeting at another time.

Chairman Nathan Ketchel took a straw poll of the board members. All three members denied approval with Ketchel being the dissenting vote. Snow's petition was thusly denied.

The board also finalized wording on a decision to approve NextGrid LLC's solar array project off Bowman Road. There was some discussion regarding the bonds for storm-damage repairs. The main issue was whether or not NextGrid LLC had agreed in a public hearing to a \$70,000 bond or what had been recorded in the public forum, a \$45,000 bond.

For clarification, Ketchel allowed Daniel Serber of NextGrid LLC to explain how those two sums were arrived at and which of the two was what, he, in fact, had agreed to in the public hearing. Serber stated that the \$45,000 sum was what had been discussed with the Zoning Board of Appeals and in the final decision approved by the Planning Board. Another bond totaling \$44,000 for decommissioning costs was also mentioned, bringing the total to \$89,000 in surety bonds.

Mike Huguenin, President of the Mattapoisett Land Trust, was also on the call and said that the \$75,000 figure had been provided to the Planning Board in written documents from the MLT. Planning Board administrator Mary Crain said, "It was never raised in the public hearings, never expressly discussed."

In the end, Ketchel said that the public meeting was closed during the last session. The board concurred, leaving the bonds as written into the final agreement, a total of \$89,000.

Also considered were future legal fees that the applicant's counsel had questioned. Mattapoisett's legal advisor Jonathan Silverstein said it was, "...not unusual. This is a standard and defensible condition." That language was left in the final decision. The board members voted unanimously to accept the decision.

Regarding two sidelined projects, the building of a new Master Plan and the reorganization and rewriting of bylaws, Ketchel asked that Southeast Regional Economic Development District's Grant King, director of Comprehensive Planning at Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District, be invited to the next meeting to restart the Master Plan process. Crain said

that some 14 residents had volunteered to help in crafting the new Master Plan. The board was unified in setting aside a separate day and time to engage with those willing to participate in the process.

The zoning bylaws, an equally massive project agreed by all, will be discussed more comprehensively at future meetings. But the board also agreed they needed the assistance of a consultant to get that project completed.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board will be posted at mattapoisett.net.

Marion Looks to Replenish PPE as Businesses Reopen

Marion Board of Health

By Mick Colageo

All of Marion's emergency supplies have been put to the Police Department for emergency response and "are getting depleted pretty fast," according to Health Nurse Kathleen Downey, addressing the Board of Health during its June 2 remote access meeting.

Downey said that she had put in an order for what the Police Department needed for COVID-19 and added for the Board of Health, but all of it was shipped to the Police Department.

The message coming from the state Department of Public Health is that Marion has received a significant amount of allowance through the CARES Act and from state-sponsored, public-health emergency money. Downey said there has been a request for a road sign that can be used for messaging regarding COVID-19.

Town Administrator Jay McGrail explained that the town has to spend and apply for reimbursement in order to receive funds from the CARES Act. "They did allocate... more than we'll be able to spend towards it realistically," he said. The next step is Marion putting together its list of expenses.

CARES Act funding is completely separate from the \$25,000 that Marion can apply for via FEMA, which is only partially reimbursed. Thusly, McGrail is focusing on the CARES Act money, which reimburses 100 percent of coronavirus-related expenditures.

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"They are pretty specific on what they'll cover... but it covers a lot," he said, alluding to the installation of plexiglass barriers for safety purposes at town buildings and other alterations.

Town employee Maureen Murphy explained that emergency-preparedness supplies received in September are now being completely depleted. "There's going to be a big expense. I have a list of what we've used," she said.

Vice Chairperson Dr. Ed Hoffer noted that additional money will be needed in FY21 for additional PPE for flu shots and other actions. "Last year I wouldn't have worn a mask; this year I would," he said.

Concerned that she might forget something of great significance, Downey sought input from the Board of Health. "I just want some support from the board. I don't want to be the only one making a decision about what we need," she said. Chairperson John Howard assured her that the board will review, discuss, and add or subtract items.

McGrail noted that the CARES Act spans according to fiscal years. Hoffer advised the board to make purchases in June. McGrail said he would check to see if Marion has the required funds to replenish the town's PPE supply before June and FY20 ends.

Downey reported a \$7,600 quote just received for emergency-preparedness supplies including flu shots...

"Just in case there is a vaccine available, we need to be able to distribute it and offer it," she said. Howard asked Downey to start with a list that can then be prioritized and then reviewed when the board meets in two weeks.

The board agreed to move forward with the town's plans for a July blood drive at the Community Center.

New Health Director Dave Flaherty reported three food-service inspections in anticipation of the Phase 2 opening by the state. He was to visit Atlantic Bistro on June 3 with representatives from the Building Department and Fire Department.

Flaherty reported following up on complaints at Santoro's Pizza and at private property at Great Hill. Flaherty said when he visited Santoro's "Everyone had masks on." Concern about masks not being worn by visitors to the historic estate has led to a curbing of open hours with new signage offering a friendly reminder. Flaherty reported that signage at the harbor has yielded mixed results, but people not wearing masks are for the most part out on boats and away from others.

Planning Board member Norm Hills referenced an issue with standing water leading to a concern about mosquitoes during a year that expects a EEE threat. Flaherty plans to address the matter with the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project, a state agency.

TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights May 24-May 30

- Point Rd – Parking enforcement
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Point Rd - Trespassing
- Emil's Way – Suspicious MV
- Point Rd - Trespassing
- Point Rd – Parking enforcement
- Front St – Noise complaint
- Village Dr – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Parking enforcement
- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Parkway Ln - Fraud
- Spring St - Trespassing
- Wareham Rd – Road hazard
- Wareham Rd – Civil complaint
- Planting Island Rd – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- Dexter Rd – EMS/medical
- Jenna Dr - Fraud
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Ichabod Ln – Civil complaint
- South St - Fraud
- Bass Point Rd - Trespassing
- Olde Meadow Rd - Fraud
- Village Dr – Noise complaint
- Wareham Rd - Lockout
- Front St – Suspicious activity
- Hartley Ln – Suspicious MV
- Front St – Officer wanted
- Beach St – Animal complaint

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights May 24-May 30

- Main St – MV crash
- North St – Medical/mental health
- Neds Point Rd - Disturbance
- Mattapoisset Neck Rd – Suspicious MV
- Dyar Rd – Ambulance request
- Sagamore Rd – Health/welfare
- County Rd – MV crash
- Wildwood Ter – Summons service
- Angelica Ave – Animal control
- Ship St – MV lockout
- Aucoot Rd – Suspicious persons
- Reservation Rd – 911 call
- Acushnet Rd - Threats
- Crook's Way – Animal control
- County Rd – MV lockout
- Aucoot Rd – Assist other agency
- Parker St – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Church St – Stop sign enforcement
- Acushnet Rd – Assist citizen
- Water St – Maritime/all calls
- River Rd – MV violations
- Ocean View Ave – 911 abandoned
- North St – MV violations
- Reservation Rd – Open door
- Reservation Rd – Suspicious persons
- County Rd – Property lost
- Acushnet Rd – Medical/assist
- Chapel Rd – Animal control
- Oakland Ter - Complaint

ROCHESTER

Log highlights May 24-May 30

- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious MV
- Dexter Ln - Vandalism
- Dexter Ln – Assist citizen
- New Bedford Rd – MV complaint
- Walnut Plain Rd – Medical
- Neck Rd – Outside fire
- Coombs Rd – 911 call
- North Ave – Noise complaint
- Neck Rd – Animal control
- Snipatuit Rd – Assist citizen
- Braley Hill Rd – MV accident
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious MV
- Snipatuit Rd – Officer follow up
- Ryder Rd – Animal control
- Benson Rd – Brush fire
- Dexter Ln – Well being check
- County Rd – Property damage
- Featherbed Ln – Well being check
- Hillside Rd - Fraud
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- New Bedford Rd – Road hazard
- Marys Pond Rd - Investigation
- Cranberry Hwy - Disturbance
- Pierce St – Assist DCF
- Randall Rd – Noise complaint
- Walnut Plain Rd – Noise complaint
- Braley Hill Rd – MV stop/summons
- Pierce St – Officer follow up
- Dexter Ln – Assist DCF

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Although the state has set up towns only to follow up on how well businesses comply with state regulations in Phases 2 and 3 of the reopening, Marion is taking a proactive approach as Flaherty reaches out to work with merchants in town.

Hoffer said, "Letting 1,000 flowers bloom is not the way it works best everywhere," as he noted Marion has learned from the boatyards. Thusly, he told Flaherty that he prefers the sterner of the two letters he offered for the board's review. McGrail asked Flaherty to a request for businesses seeking liquor licenses to update the town.

Member Dot Brown cautioned the board that the state writes regulations and then changes them without consulting towns. "Hopefully common sense will prevail," said Flaherty.

Flaherty was impressed with the Kittansett Club's plans to go forward as host of the 112th Massachusetts Amateur Golf tournament on July 13-17, noting that the club had a consultant come in and do the right thing. "It looks like they've got a good idea that they've used solid science. I can tell that they're on the right track," he said.

Howard said he was impressed with Flaherty's first report as the town's new health director.

In her Public Health Nurse Report, Downey told the board that, since its last meeting, several serum positive COVID-19 tests have been reported. People were to be treated as a positive case with a required 10 days in isolation, even though it was an antibody test.

Downey reported that the state revised its policy on Monday, strongly encouraging a polymerase-chain-reaction (PCR) test at same time as an antibody test. If anyone tests positive in the PCR test, they would not be required to go into isolation. The result would be considered a prior infection.

Marion peaked last week according to Downey, with seven people in isolation at one time. That number, she said, has since dropped off. Marion's website lists six active cases and 11 recovered.

Tabor Academy has begun meeting anticipate challenges for the fall 2020 semester with room size, athletics, health-related issues, PPE needs, policies needed such as daily screening of where students are heading,

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Thursday June 4, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM On the Move
8:30 AM Navigating the Way for Seniors
9:00 AM Generation Conversation
9:32 AM Recovery Fitness
10:00 AM Health Source
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Lucy's World of Painting
11:30 AM Perils for Pedestrians
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Books and the World
3:00 PM Building the Future
3:30 PM Registers Report
4:00 PM Arts Alive
4:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:30 PM Call to Action COVID-19
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The Chico and Brian Show
7:00 PM The Cinemaniacs!
8:00 PM Stop My Crisis
8:30 PM Science 360
9:30 PM Money Matters TV
10:00 PM Learning Music with Pat
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Friday June 5, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Health Source
8:00 AM On the Move
9:00 AM Mattapoisett COA Yoga with Tracy Clarke
10:07 AM The Art of Being Human
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Recovery Fitness
11:30 AM Cape Conversation
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Fox Robbins Report
3:00 PM Perils for Pedestrians
3:30 PM Arts Alive
4:00 PM In the Toy Box
4:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:32 PM Call to Action COVID-19
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Stop My Crisis
7:00 PM Mr. Scammer
7:30 PM The Chundria Show
8:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
8:30 PM Gay USA
9:30 PM The Cinemaniacs!
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday June 6, 2020

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoons
9:00 AM What's New? Massachusetts
9:30 AM Perils for Pedestrians
10:00 AM Recovery Fitness
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM The Art of Being Human
11:30 AM Southcoast Matters TV
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Off the Shelf
3:00 PM Arts Alive
3:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
4:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:32 PM Call to Action COVID-19
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM The Chico and Brian Show
7:30 PM Science 360
8:30 PM Youth Suicide
9:00 PM Money Matters TV
9:30 PM Registers Report
10:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday June 7, 2020

6:00 AM Veterans Voice
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
8:30 AM The Art of Being Human
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Church of Marion
11:00 AM Health Talk
11:30 AM The Chundria Show
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:32 PM Lucy's World of Painting
3:00 PM Cape Conversation
3:30 PM Books and the World
4:00 PM The Chico and Brian Show
4:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:19 PM Call to Action COVID-19
5:30 PM Off the Shelf
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
7:30 PM Mr. Scammer
8:00 PM Perils for Pedestrians
8:30 PM The Cinemaniacs!
9:30 PM Ghost Chronicles
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Monday June 8, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM On the Move
8:30 AM Seniors on the Move

9:00 AM Generation Conversation
9:32 AM The Art of Being Human
10:00 AM Health Talk
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Lucy's Big Beautiful World of Painting
11:30 AM The Chundria Show
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Cape Conversations
3:00 PM Learning Music with Pat
3:30 PM Perils for Pedestrians
4:00 PM The Chico and Brian Show
4:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:19 PM Call to Action COVID-19
5:30 PM Arts Alive
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Stop My Crisis
7:00 PM The Chico and Brian Show
7:30 PM Off the Shelf
8:00 PM The Cinemaniacs!
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
10:00 PM Fox Robbins Report
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday June 9, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM On the Move
8:30 AM Seniors on the Move
9:00 AM Mattapoisett COA Yoga with Tracy Clarke
10:07 AM Mind Matters
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Recovery Fitness
11:30 AM Health Talk
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Cape Conversations
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM Learning Music with Pat
4:00 PM Hollywood Movie Maker
4:30 PM Money Matters TV
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:34 PM Call to Action COVID-19
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM The Chico and Brian Show
7:30 PM Books and the World
8:00 PM Science 360
9:00 PM Stop My Crisis
9:30 PM Gay USA
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday June 10, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM The Art of Being Human
8:00 AM On the Move

9:00 AM Generation Conversation
9:32 AM Mind Matters
10:00 AM Health Source
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
11:30 AM Southcoast Matters TV
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
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6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The Cinemaniacs!
7:30 PM Science 360
8:30 PM Gay USA
9:30 PM Suicide Prevention in Massachusetts
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

MARION GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

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Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectman - May 26, 2020
8:13 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals - May 21, 2020
8:18 AM Marion Board of Health - May 19, 2020
9:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission - May 27, 2020
9:36 AM Marion Finance Committee - May 18, 2020
10:30 AM Marion School Committee - May 20, 2020
11:30 AM ORR District School Committee - May 27, 2020
2:00 PM Marion Board of Selectman - May 19, 2020
3:30 PM Marion Board of Selectman - May 26, 2020
4:43 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals - May 21, 2020
4:48 PM Marion Board of Health - May 19, 2020
5:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission - May 27, 2020
6:06 PM Marion Finance Committee - May 18, 2020
7:00 PM Marion School Committee - May 20, 2020
8:00 PM ORR District School Committee - May 27, 2020
10:30 PM Marion Board of Selectman - May 19, 2020

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

Verizon Channel 40

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM ORR District School Committee - May 27,

2020
9:30 AM Rochester Planning Board - May 26, 2020
11:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission - May 19, 2020
1:08 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - May 18, 2020
2:00 PM Rochester School Committee - May 7, 2020
3:30 PM ORR District School Committee - May 27, 2020
6:00 PM Rochester Planning Board - May 26, 2020
8:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - May 19, 2020
9:38 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - May 18, 2020
10:30 PM Rochester School Committee - May 7, 2020

EDUCATION CHANNEL

Comcast Channel 97

Verizon Channel 37

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM Marion Natural History Museum - Rock Hound Presentation
8:32 AM Marion Natural History Museum - Value of Native Plants
9:00 AM Mattapoisett COA Yoga with Tracy Clarke
10:30 AM ORRHs FORM Choral Concert - May 10, 2020
11:31 AM Call to Action COVID-19
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
1:00 PM ORRHs FORM Choral Concert - May 10, 2020
2:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Value of Native Plants
2:33 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Wildflowers Presentation
3:45 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Butterfly Man
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:34 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Value of Native Plants
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
6:32 PM Call to Action COVID-19
7:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Butterfly Man
8:09 PM Marion Art Center - John Magnan Presentation
9:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Rock Hound Presentation
10:02 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Rossini, Reed, Raum Concert
11:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update

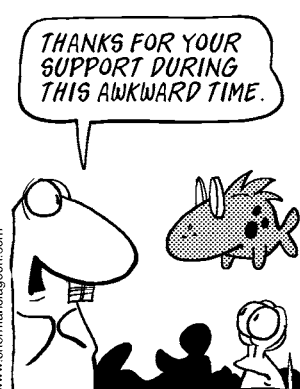
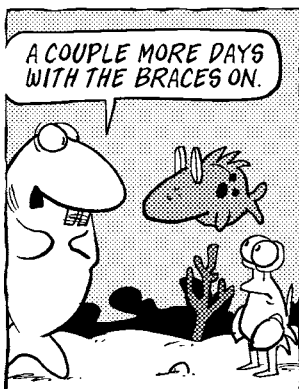
MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT

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SHERMAN'S LAGOON

by J.P. Toomey



and a contact-tracing procedure.

"Everything's preliminary. They're talking about not admitting foreign students, but I think they're a bit away from a statement," said Howard.

"They're very committed to being open in the fall. I don't think they see themselves being closed for another year," said Downey.

Tabor will need to figure out a site where students can isolate, whether it be the health center, or a case of quarantine over against the dormitory structure and what would be required to transport a symptomatic student.

Downey noted that the Council on Aging will not transport sick people at this time for fear of contamination of its vehicles.

While Marion, Tabor, and Tremont camps have canceled summer recreation programs, Beverly Yacht Club would like to go forward with its summer program and was scheduled to meet with Downey on June 3.

Also of emerging concern are Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE), West Nile, and tick-borne illnesses. "I don't see myself having time to do tick education," said Downey. "Marion has videos at ORCTV, perhaps we can hook them up to the website."

Downey also cautioned the board that hurricane season requires a plan. "We can't run a shelter and refuse to take people in... and I don't know how we can isolate people," she said. Hoffer said that Sippican School's capacity is limited by its generator. "You can't

use the whole place," he said. "If the weather is bad, it doesn't work. Sippican School is not going to allow any separation." McGrail indicated having reached out to the Town of Mattapoisett regarding the potential use of ORR and plans to follow up.

On June 16, the Board of Health will hold a public hearing in advance of a vote on its proposal to reduce the amount of nitrogen compounds that are released out of new septic systems. McGrail told the board it's important it does not close the public hearing so that members of the public without access for any technical reason would have ample time to respond.

Library Director Finalists Interviewed

Mattapoisett Public Library Search Committee

By Marilou Newell

And then there were two. A wide-ranging field of candidates have vied for the position of Mattapoisett Library Director to replace the very soon to be retired Susan Pizzolato. Now two finalists have been selected by the Search Committee – Jennifer Jones of Plymouth and Ellen Snoeyenbos of Halifax – from a field of more than 20 applicants.

The Search Committee, comprised of library trustee members William Osier and Ruth Oliver Jolliffe, as well as community representatives Jennifer Russell, Jennifer McIntire, and William Coquillette, interviewed the finalists on May 28 in the library's conference room.



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TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



The creek between Crescent and Point Connett as the fog rolls in. Photo by Ellen Scholter



Colorful poppies blooming in a Mattapoissett garden. Photo by Faith Ball



A peaceful crowd gathered on the lawn of the Marion Music Hall on June 2 to kneel in solidarity for nine minutes calling for justice for the death of George Floyd and accountability for police brutality. Marion Police Chief John Garcia dressed in his police uniform was among the roughly 200 kneeling on the grass that afternoon. Photos by Jean Perry



Graduating seniors in the Old Rochester Regional High School Class of 2020 drove around to the back of the school building on May 28, where they were greeted by faculty and administration. After arriving in order of homeroom to ensure safe spacing, the seniors turned in textbooks and received yearbooks, a surprise COVID-19 gift bag, and a long-sleeve t-shirt decorated with the mascot Bulldog and the word 'Quarantine' spelled across the front. See related stories. Photos by Ryan Feeney

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

On hand to help expedite the process was professional recruiter Bernard Lynch of Community Paradigm LLC, the town's consultant, who introduced the two candidates to the committee members.

Coming before the committee first was Snoeyenbos, who has been the West Bridgewater library director since 2015. Prior to that she was the young adult and reference librarian, as well as being a member of the Silver Lake Regional School Committee. She also noted that she was a library trustee in Halifax and listed an MLS from Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science and a BA from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, as her educational background.

During the question-and-answer session which lasted about 40 minutes, Snoeyenbos said she would want to move the Mattapoisett Library closer to technology versus old school systems. She said she was ready to work in a larger setting and the challenge of more staff members while preserving the library's legacy.

When asked what she thought her strengths were Snoeyenbos responded, "Vision of what a library should be, holding onto core values," and that she believed she was a motivator. "I work really hard." Snoeyenbos said she researches necessary information, looks for new ways to integrate what she learns into processes, and reaches out to the younger demographic outside the library walls.

Of weakness, Snoeyenbos said, "I move too quickly. I've made mistakes." She said that she believes

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MOVIE REVIEW

Hands Up

By Rob Gonsalves
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***The Grey Fox* (1982). Starring Richard Farnsworth and Jackie Burroughs. Directed by Philip Borsos. Running time: 91 minutes. MPAA rating: PG. Now available for streaming on virtual screening rooms.**

For whatever reason, Kino Lorber has plucked the 38-year-old Canadian adventure/drama *The Grey Fox* out of obscurity, given it a 4K spit-shine, and given it back to us. *The Grey Fox* got respectful reviews in America when it arrived in 1983 but, it appears, was quickly forgotten here. Not so in Canada, where it's regarded as a national treasure. Its director, Philip Borsos, was only 27 when he made it; he only got to make four more features, including the bewildering *One Magic Christmas*, before leukemia took him in 1995 at only 41. I can imagine Richard Farnsworth shaking his head sadly at the notion of outliving his young director.

Farnsworth inhabits Bill Miner, a stagecoach robber who's just finished a 33-year stretch in prison. When he gets out, it's a different century — 1901 — and we learn very early on that we can trust the movie not to be cheesy, because it never makes much of Miner being a man out of his own time. Like the cowboys in *The Wild Bunch* who remember the Civil War but find themselves negotiating a pre-WWI world of cars and machine guns, Miner squints uneasily at technology but doesn't let it faze him. Farnsworth, whose swan song was a beautiful performance in David Lynch's becalmed masterpiece *The Straight Story*, had a high, light voice that nonetheless carried the weight of authority. Listening to Miner, we feel that this was a man who didn't need to act hard. There's a quiet but steely conviction in everything he says, and Farnsworth moves like a man who trusts his own body (this former stuntman was still plenty spry in his early sixties when he made this movie, riding a gorgeous black horse perilously near a moving train).

Miner tries several times to get a real job and mend his ways. In fact, there's very subtle comedy in the fact that he has it relatively easy when he



gets out of jail. Not once but twice, women who care about him — his sister and then a suffragette named Kate Flynn (Jackie Burroughs) — offer him a safe haven. And there's also subtle comedy in the fact that Miner just can't accept their help. He can't abide the workaday life — "I'm just no good at work that's planned by other heads," he says. He robbed stagecoaches, and now, after having seen the early picture *The Great Train Robbery*, he's going to rob trains. That's what he does and who he is. Nothing personal, mind you. Miner's ethos meant neither he nor any of his men shot their guns directly at anyone. No killing. There's a little of Miner in Seth Gecko in the Quentin Tarantino-written *From Dusk Till Dawn*, who insisted "I am a professional thief. I don't kill people that I don't have to." Miner also boasts a bit of the amiable outlaws Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, and a bit of Henri "Papillon" Charriere — Miner has a habit of escaping from prison.

The Grey Fox is pictorially as satisfying as a full-course dinner, photographed in rich blues and browns by Frank Tidy. It's a little loose and sedate, though, and our attention starts to slacken — the structure becomes anecdotal — until Miner and his two accomplices are camping out in Canada and a Mountie approaches. This is a whistle-clean, PG-rated, old-fashioned semi-Western with shootings but no bloodshed. From time to time it feels a little edgeless; the filmmaking is "respectable" almost to a fault. But then the grainy solidity of an image (Borsos and Tidy make the most of British Columbia locations) catches and holds us, or Richard Farnsworth says something, it doesn't matter what, and we can't imagine he could be anything less than honest. A good deal of *The Grey Fox* is *A Great Man In Front Of A Great Sky*, and that's just about enough.

in bringing staff together and that she has found a way to," ...balance strong leader and consensus."

Snoeyenbos said that she feels a sense of urgency in reaching out to younger people who may use their phones in place of a brick-and-mortar, library building, "They may feel they have all they need with a phone." She said that libraries would lose the public if leadership didn't reach out into the community.

Of her sense of urgency, Snoeyenbos confided, "The risk you take with me would be I work fast, move too soon." But she added that she has learned a great deal about leadership and that the trustees have been supportive in West Bridgewater.

Regarding the restrictions brought on in the wake of COVID-19, Snoeyenbos said that she'd want to reopen the library slowly. "We are not retail. I'm nervous about opening too soon." She also commented that in West Bridgewater she has been encouraging all staff members to seek new ways to reach out to the public during these difficult times. "They all need a little piece of marketing."

Of the Mattapoisett Library she said that computers need to be upgraded but would not be advocating for any "big ticket" items. She said the staff is well-balanced and well-educated.

There was some discussion of budgets, fundraising, and grant writing and how Mattapoisett's budget is currently being spent. Snoeyenbos said that she had experience with presenting budgets to finance committees and that the trustees had supported her during union negotiations that she characterized as "a trial by fire."

Jones has been the assistant library director in Plymouth for 15 years. She said she is ready for a new library and a new community. A graduate of Simmons University with an MSLIS and a BA in sociology from Clark University, Jones has worked closely with adults, young adults, and children since beginning her career.

Reopening the library was an essential topic that the committee discussed with Jones. She said that challenges are present especially for distancing requirements but that social media, print media, and even direct mail could be employed to help keep the community's relationship with the library intact. But she recognized that some patrons might not use computers or have internet capabilities so using printed missives remains important.

Jones said that she would work with other town departments, OSHA, and best practices from around the country to find safe ways to open the library, while also coordinating efforts with surrounding libraries. "People are missing their libraries," she said.

In talking about changes she might want to make, Jones noted the possibility of shelving changes and the addition of mobile shelving units, but added, "I'll need to see what the usage is first."

Jones said she would want to reach out to local groups such as the League of Women Voters, town



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departments, and to spend time at the circulation desk to get to know the community and its people.

Experience with setting up and working with teen advisory groups is part of Jones' background, she said, as well as starting new adult groups. She said she would want to survey the needs of the Mattapoisett patrons to find new ways to engage the community.

Jones admitted that she lacked a depth of knowledge in budgetary processes but that she has begun working on departmental finances and had been through two town-meeting cycles. "I'd seek a mentor to help me," she said.

Jones was asked where she saw herself in the coming years. "Director of a community library, continuing in that direction, possibly at the end of my career a state agency," she said, adding that she likes the feel of a smaller community library versus a large institution such as Plymouth's and the opportunity that represented for closer interaction with the patrons.

After concluding the interviews, Lynch asked the group if they were ready to vote. Entering the conference room, Robbin Smith introduced herself as the general services librarian. Smith asked if before making their decision the committee would grant the staff members to share their comments based on the interviews that had just taken place. The committee, while expressing some readiness to debate and make a selection immediately, granted Smith's request.

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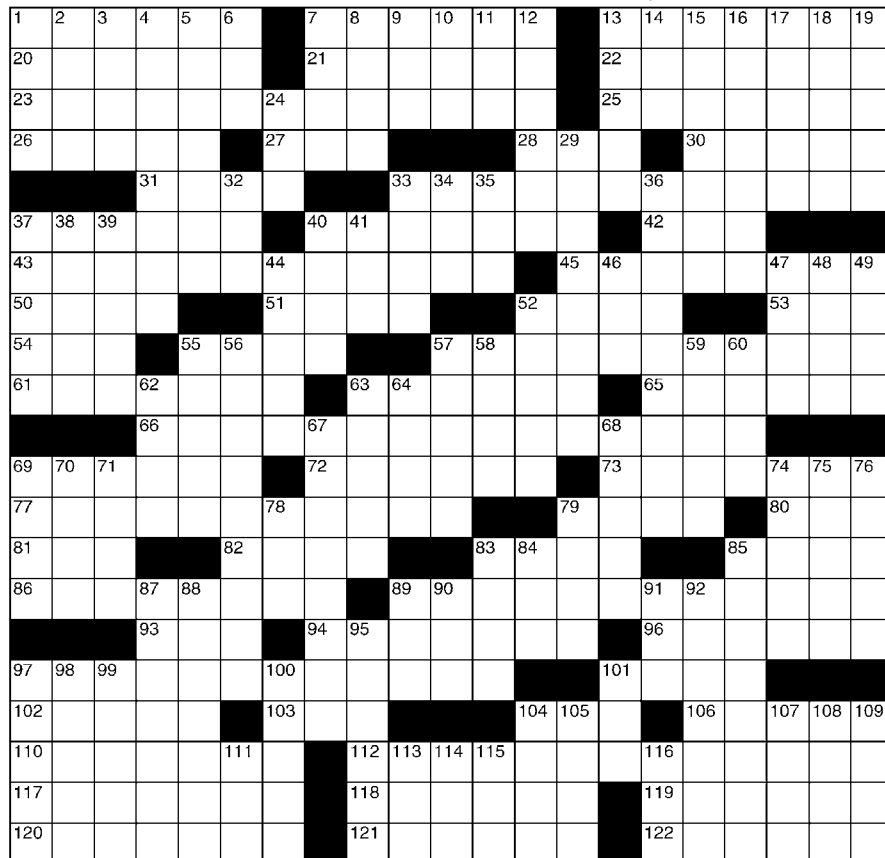
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your Aries self-esteem level is high, as is your impatience to see more action come your way in the workplace. Good news, Lamb: It could start to happen sooner than you think.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Changing things now could upset a lot of people. But if you feel you're acting because you believe it's the right thing to do, others will understand and even come to support you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A change of mind might not necessarily be a change of heart. You still want to go ahead with your plans, but you might see a better way to make them happen. So go for it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An old business dispute could re-emerge and possibly affect upcoming negotiations. Consider opening up the situation to include suggestions from others on both sides of the issue.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some Leos and Leonas might find it somewhat difficult to get their ideas accepted or even considered. But that's only for a while. Things will soon return to the way you like them.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The pace seems to be slowing down from the hectic on-the-job run you recently enjoyed. But be assured that you're still in the race to pick up new workplace-related goodies.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Seasonal changes create opportunities for busy Librans. However, be sure to balance your workload with your personal life so that you don't overdo it on one end or the other.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A former critic could make a surprise turnaround and become a supporter. But if your Scorpion sense suspects a questionable motive, who are the rest of us to doubt it?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Data on a new project seems less than dependable. But it might turn out to be just the opposite. Consult with someone who knows how you might best be able to check it out.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Capricorneans face many decisions this week, with the Sea Goat's kids rating high on the consideration scale, especially regarding vacations and upcoming school matters.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Showing that you care is what Aquarians do so well. It's your very special skill. And this week, you'll have several chances to show off that gift for a very special person. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 21) That streak of Piscean wariness should serve you well this week should you be among those who come up against a slippery character offering a fishy deal with nothing to back it up.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have an artist's sense of how to help others see, as you do, the beautiful things about the world.

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The next meeting of the library director search committee was not scheduled by the end of the meeting. Visit mattapoissett.net to view the public meeting calendar and remote meeting access details.

Letters to the Editor

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Dear Editor,

Like most of us, I am grateful to our first responders, health care workers, delivery people, and essential service workers who are, at great risk, keeping us going during the pandemic. However, I am most grateful for the small businesses in the Tri-Town who have quickly stepped up to provide essential services locally and safely.

Like many seniors and people with underlying health conditions, the thought of going into big box stores is simply terrifying. So I would like to give special thanks to those local businesses that have quickly and quietly done a fabulous job of keeping us safe and providing us with essentials and some extras.

I think we are very fortunate to live in a community with such kind and generous small businesses. So please join me and thank those small businesses that have responded so well to help us during this tough time.

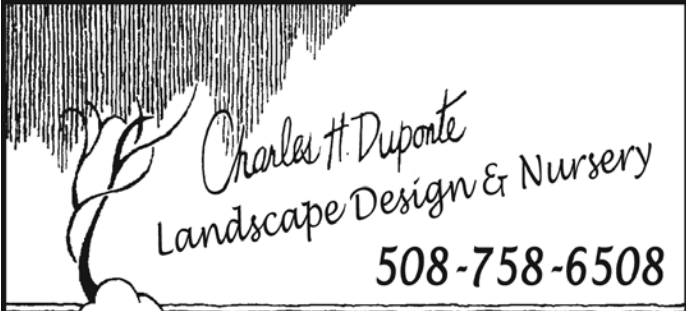
Sincerely,
Patricia Donoghue, Mattapoissett

Academic Achievements

Bucknell University has named **Ava Ciffolillo**, class of 2022, from Mattapoissett to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2019-20 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition. The following student(s) have achieved dean's list status:

Becker College is pleased to announce that **Gabrielle Poitras**, of Marion, has graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Mental Health Counseling Concentration. Poitras was one of more than 430 students recognized at a virtual commencement celebration.

Maggie McCarthy of Marion, has been named to the Plymouth State University Dean's List for the Spring 2020 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must achieve a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.69



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during the spring semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester. McCarthy is a Tourism Management and Policy major at Plymouth State.

Emily Faulkner of Rochester, Casey Allaire of Mattapoissett, and Maggie McCarthy of Marions have been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the Spring 2020 semester. To be named to the President's List, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or better for the Spring 2020 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.



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TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING (Amended to Correct Clerical Error on Spelling of Vice Chairman's Name) On Monday June 15, 2020 the Marion Planning Board will hold a public hearing on proposed changes to the Zoning Bylaw pursuant to the requirements of G.L. c. 40A, s. 5. The public hearing will be held at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*) Marion, Massachusetts 02738 at 7:10 pm. The proposed changes include: 1. Changes to existing Zoning Bylaw Definitions for terms "Hazardous or Toxic Material" "Personal Kennel", and a new definition, "Volume." See § 230-11.2 2. Change to Inclusionary housing Bylaw (reduction of affordable units required). See § 230-8.12 3. Changes to Flood Hazard District Bylaw (definition of boundaries; requirement of base flood elevation data). See § 230-8.1. The full text of these bylaws and the proposed changes can be found at: https://www.marionma.gov/home/files/spring-warrant-2020 William W. Saltonstall, Chairman Andrew M. Daniel, Vice-Chairman *Please contact Terri Santos at 508-748-3517 or tsantos@marionma.gov for instructions on attending the meeting and public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call any questions or comments. 5/28, 6/4 TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Pursuant to Chapter 111, Section 31 of the Massachusetts General laws, the Marion Board of Health will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 6 pm at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*). The purpose of the regulation is to protect the coastal water quality in the Town of Marion from the impacts of nitrogen by reducing nitrogen generated from new on-site septic systems. The proposed regulation requires new construction to install a nitrogen reducing septic system if municipal sewer is unavailable. The proposed regulation also requires that failed septic systems at the time of transfer replace the failed system with a nitrogen reducing system. A copy of the draft regulation is available for review on the Board of Health's website. John B. Howard, MD, Chairman *Please contact Maureen Murphy at 508-748-3530 or mmurphy@marionma.gov for instructions on attending the meeting and public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 5/28, 6/4 TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Applicant Wine and Malt Package Goods License Fieldstone Farm Market 806 Mill Street, Marion, MA The Marion Board of Selectmen, acting as local licensing authority, will hold a continued public hearing on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 7:15 pm at the Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street,	Marion, MA (via Zoom and closed to the public*), on the application of Fieldstone Farm Market for a retail package goods license for the sale of wine and malt beverages. * Please contact Debra Paiva at 508-748-3520 or dpaiva@marionma.gov for instructions on attending the meeting and public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be livestreamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or concerns. Randy L. Parker, Chairman 5/28, 6/4 TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING On Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will held on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Notice of Intent Application submitted Kenneth & Catherine Wood. This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19. The Applicants propose to construct a single family dwelling and perform associated site work on property that falls within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland. The property is located on Pinebrook Lane (off Pine Island Road) which is further identified as Lot #224 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #5. Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 5/28 TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF REMOTE PUBLIC HEARING Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81391294451 Or CALL: 1 646 876 9923 Meeting ID: 813 9129 4451 An Open Hearing of the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 7:00 pm regarding a Special Permit Application for Groundwater Protection, filed Greg Carey of Rochester MA 4, LLC c/o Clean Energy, 27B Midstate Drive Suite 106, Auburn, MA 01501, for property located at Sarah Sherman Road, designated as Lot 8C, Lot 8L and 13 on Rochester Assessors Map 28. The applicant proposes to install a large scale ground mounted photovoltaic solar array on portions of Assessor's Map 28 Lot 8C and an access drive through portions of Map 28 Lot 13 and 8L off of Sarah Sherman Road. The applicant's representative is Evan Watson of Prime Engineering, Inc., P.O. Box 1088, Lakeville, MA 02347. The property owner of record is William Souza, 139 Sarah Sherman Road, Rochester, MA 02770. The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Planning Board Office at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 6/4, 6/11	TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF REMOTE PUBLIC HEARING Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81391294451 Or CALL: 1 646 876 9923 Meeting ID: 813 9129 4451 An Open Hearing of the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 7:00 pm regarding a Special Permit Application for Groundwater Protection filed by Featherbed Lane South Solar, LLC, Beals and Thomas, Inc., 144 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772, for property located at 0 Featherbed Lane, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lots 24 on Assessor's Map 46. The proposed project includes the installation of a large-scale ground-mounted solar array and associated access road, perimeter fence, storm water management systems, and grading located in the residential/agricultural district. The property owner of record is Judith Dupont, 123 Rounseville Road, Rochester, MA 02770. The applicant's representative is Eric Las, Beals and Thomas, Inc., 144 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772. The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Planning Board Office at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 6/4, 6/11 TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF REMOTE PUBLIC HEARING Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84493609014 or CALL: 1 646 876 9923 Meeting ID: 844 9360 9014 The Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm regarding the Road Acceptance shown on a plan's entitled "Road Acceptance Plan of Forbes Road" dated March 10, 2020 and "Roadway Acceptance Plan Douglas Corner Road" dated March 10, 2020, filed by Edgewood Development, 3 Belcher Street, Plainville, MA 02762 for property located at Forbes Road and Douglas Corner Road in Connet Woods, Rochester, MA 02770. The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Planning Board Office at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 6/4, 6/11 TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT WATER DEPARTMENT PUBLIC NOTICE Seasonal Directional flushing is scheduled for June 15, 2020 at 8:00 PM in the Center of Town. Discolored water may be expected. Other areas may be effected do to the hydraulics in the system. We apologize for any inconvenience. Henri Renauld, Superintendent 6/4, 6/11 Place your classified ads 24 hours a day 7 days a week on-line at www.wanderer.com

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This week we feature 6 Allen Street. Situated



at the northeast corner of Pie Alley and Allen Street, the 1890s home at 6 Allen Street was built for Augustus Nickerson.

Although it is Shingle-style by design, it also has English Medieval

Frame influences. The home is L-shaped, exhibiting horizontal massing and weathered wood shingles.

Coastline Elderly Nutrition Program

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Wednesday, **June 10**: Meatloaf with gravy, Lyonnaise potatoes, mixed veggies, wheat bread, brownie, diet: graham wafer
Thursday, **June 11**: Roast turkey with rosemary gravy, cranberry sauce (2), mashed potato, winter squash, multigrain bread, pears
Friday, **June 12**: Sausage with peppers and onions, pasta alfredo, sub roll, peaches

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TriTOWN HAPPENINGS

Many of our readers shared what they were up to this weekend. Share your moments with our Facebook Group.



Fishing with the girls just outside the harbor. – Shi Major



Gidgette enjoyed some quality time soaking up the sun! – Leslie A. Boyle



We enjoyed tree hugging and ice cream at The Slip! – Joanne Pratt



We built a castle at Silvershell Beach. – Elizabeth Kathleen



Fishing on Planting Island. – Mary DeCoffe Jones



Celebrated the graduation of Dr. Adam Bliss. – Lynn Waseleski-Bliss



Hung by the pool. – Jane Lees



Got to love on our two new puppies. – Cheryl Randall



Ava learned to ride a bike! – Jenna Gifford



Finished up the new and improved garden! – Carol Lescarbeau



Washed the car - Jane Lees

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

These meals are free and can be found at the following meal site locations: ORR High School, Center School, Sippican Elementary, Rochester Memorial. Meals are available Monday through Friday from 10:30 to 12:30 pm. Meals include free breakfast and lunch for each child.

Black Lives Matter Peaceful March

Moms, Dads, Grandmas, Kids, Students of all ages, and Concerned Citizens: let's show some solidarity with the recent victims of violence around our country. Bring along a sign or banner, and we will peacefully march (preferably masked) as a group—begin at the North Street Park and Ride **June 5** at noon. Walk with purpose to the gazebo in Mattapoisett Village, and wrap up by 1:00 pm. Let's do something together to speak out against injustice and begin a conversation at a local level by raising our flags, signs and voices.

Marion 4th of July Parade Canceled

It is with much regret and heavy hearts that the Town of Marion announces that we have decided to cancel the 2020 Marion 4th of July Parade.

While this was a difficult decision, we believe that since we are still in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is in the best interest of the health and safety of our residents to cancel the event.

We have asked ORCTV to put together a video of past parades to air on July 4th. Even though we can't be together in person to celebrate, this is a great way to relive past parades and look forward to 2021. Stay safe everyone.

SLT Reopening Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk

The Sippican Lands Trust will be reopening its Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk on Thursday, **June 4** to visitors by appointment only.



Starting Thursday, **June 4**, visitors wanting to explore the Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk must book an appointment at sippicanlandstrust.setmore.com. Visitors can book an appointment for a one-hour time slot. Sippican Lands Trust is implementing an appointment system for visits to Osprey Marsh to follow current social distancing requirements due to COVID-19. For further information visit www.sippicanlandstrust.org.

[sippicanlandstrust.org](http://www.sippicanlandstrust.org).

As part of re-opening the Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk, the Sippican Lands Trust will

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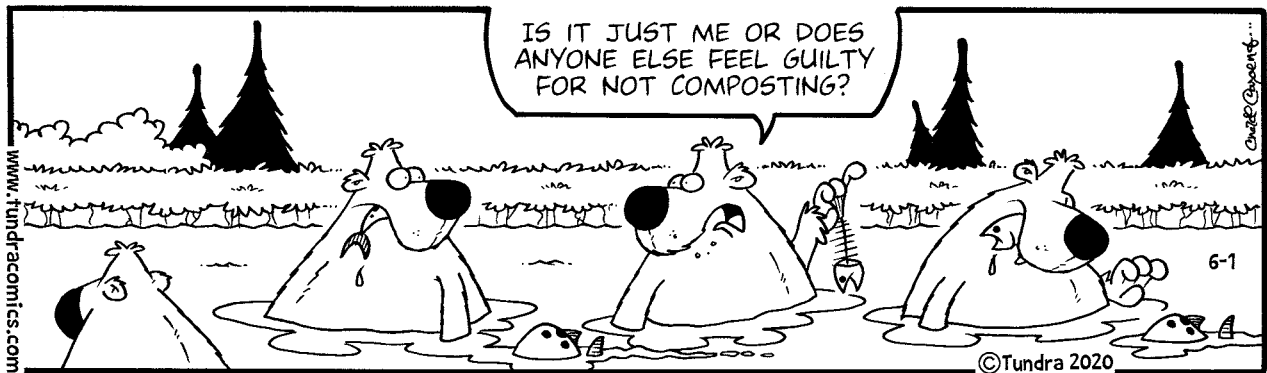
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also be launching a "Show Your Support" campaign by encouraging visitors to drop off a rock (large or small) or rocks at the entrance to the Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk which has recently been closed due to COVID-19. These rocks can be decorated or painted with displays or messages about why nature is important to you and you can drop off your rock through Saturday, **June 20**. SLT will place your rock or rocks along the edging of the pathway to help prevent erosion.

If you would like to support the Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk project, then please consider a donation to the project by visiting <https://sippicanlandtrust.org/osprey-marsh-boardwalk-project/> where you can Buy-a-Board to recognize a friend, family member, or business.

Osprey Marsh Osprey Marsh is a 19.8-acre parcel of protected upland woods, wetlands, and marshland offering spectacular water views of Planting Island Cove. The property features a trail network including the 1,800' Osprey Marsh Accessible Boardwalk and Pathway for wheelchair users, people with limited mobility, and visitors wanting to experience nature.

Please wear a face covering, practice social distancing, and be courteous to other visitors while exploring Osprey Marsh or other SLT properties around Marion this summer.

Parking for Osprey Marsh is located off Point Road approximately three miles south of the intersection of Route 6 (Wareham Road) and Point Road in Marion.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarship Winners

For over 60 years, The Mattapoisett Woman's Club has been striving to help young people in their educational pursuits. This year the Club is happy to award four scholarships to area students.

The selected students are:

Lauren Lapointe of Bishop Stang, who will attend Sacred Heart University majoring in nursing. She is the daughter of Diane Lapointe.

Ryan Picewick of Old Colony Regional Technical High School, who will attend Worcester Polytechnic Institute majoring in electrical engineering. He is the son of Angela Ribeiro.

Megan McCullough of Old Rochester Regional High School, who will attend Bridgewater State University majoring in social work/special education. She is the daughter of Jeanne and Christian McCullough.

Morgan Browning has received the higher education award. Her goal is to pursue a Masters/Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, having applied to several institutions of higher learning to fulfill this aspiration.

All four of these young people possess excellent academic achievements, have participated in multiple community service tasks and have participated in extracurricular activities.

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Mattapoisett Recreation Cancels Summer Programming

On Monday, June 1, after extensive meetings with Town Administrator Michael Lorenzo and Board of Health agent Kayla Davis, the Mattapoisett Recreation Department announced that they will not be running their Seahorse Explorer summer camp program and all other summer programming due to COVID-19 pandemic concerns. Greta Fox, Recreation Director for the Town of

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Statement of Duties: The Clerk is responsible for providing clerical support and customer service to the Health Department and Conservation Commission. Work includes screening calls and visitors, scheduling appointments, responding to inquiries and requests from the public, preparing correspondence, and maintaining department files.

Supervision: Work is performed under the general supervision of the Health Agent and Conservation Agent. The employee is familiar with the work routine and uses initiative in carrying out recurring assignments independently, with specific instruction. The supervisor provides additional, specific instruction for new, difficult or unusual assignments. The employee is expected to refer unusual situations to the supervisor for further instruction. Reviews and checks of the employee's work are applied to an extent sufficient to keep the supervisor aware of progress.

Job Environment: Numerous standardized practices, procedures, or general instructions govern the work and, in some cases, may require additional interpretation. Judgement is needed to locate, select and apply the most pertinent practice, procedure, regulation or guideline. The work consists of a variety of duties which generally follow standardized practices, procedures, regulations or guidelines.

The sequence of work and/or the procedures followed vary according to the nature of the transaction and/or the information involved, or sought, in a particular situation.

Errors could result in delay or loss of service, and/or adverse public relations.

The employee has constant contact with the public in person, on the phone, and via computer.

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The purpose for contact is to take messages and provide administrative information and assistance, and respond to inquiries, requests and complaints. Employee also has contact with other town departments to provide information and assistance.

Position Functions: The statements contained in this job description reflect general details, as necessary, to describe the principal functions of this job, the level of knowledge and skill typically required, and the scope of responsibility. It should not be considered an all-inclusive listing of work requirements. Individuals may perform other duties, as assigned, including work in other functional areas to cover absences or provide relief, to equalize peak work periods or otherwise to balance the workload.

1. Provides clerical and secretarial support and assistance to both departments. Provides information and assistance to the public, schedules appointments, makes referrals, prepares correspondence, and maintains department files.
2. Provides, prepares and submits documentation and information to the Board of Health and Conservation Commission members; attends board meetings; takes notes, types minutes, and after review by the Agents, submits them to the Board for approval. Once approved these minutes are filed with the Town Clerk's office and also scanned.
3. Performs follow-up activities to ensure compliance with administrative orders, such as sending reminders and making phone calls to determine work done.
4. Collect fees, turns them in to the Town Treasurer, and maintains records.
5. Ensures that applications and documentation are complete.
6. Schedules and attends hearings/meetings; helps draft and publish legal notices pertaining to the Board of Health and Conservation Commission, and types and posts agendas after approval of agent.
7. Sends copies of Board decisions to the appropriate departments.
8. Maintains payroll and budget records and ensures that funds received are recorded and accounted for.
9. Performs other similar or related duties including typing, faxing, scanning, copying, filing, date stamping, sorting mail and other clerical responsibilities, as required or as situation dictates.

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Physical and Mental Requirements: Employee works in a typical office setting, and is required to talk/listen and use hands more than 2/3rd of the time; stand, walk, sit, reach, and stoop up to 2/3rd of the time. Employee occasionally lifts up to 10 lbs., and seldom lifts up to 30 lbs. Normal vision is required for the position. Equipment used includes office equipment and computers.

Education and Experience: A candidate for this position must have a High School diploma or equivalent, prior office experience or customer service experience preferred; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: A candidate for this position should have knowledge of: Office practices and procedures, familiarity with the operations of town government, familiarity with department related regulations, procedures and requirements, familiarity with public health issues, wetland protection issues, and system programs.

Skill In: Use of computer programs (Microsoft Word, Power Point, Excel, scanning), recordkeeping, bookkeeping, customer service, organization and planning skills, written and verbal communication skills.

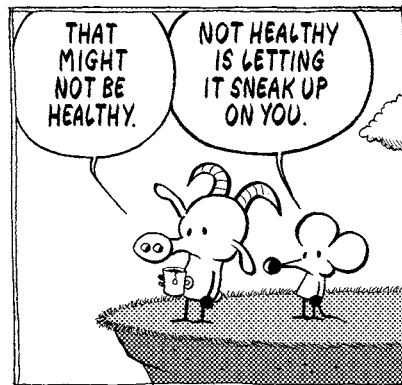
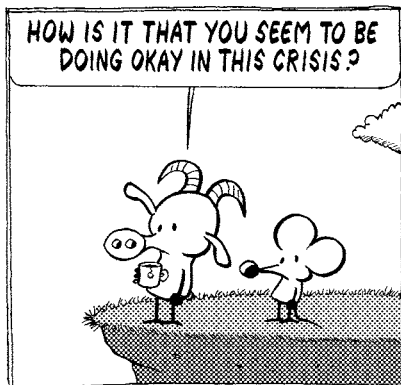
and Ability to: Maintain accurate records and prepare correspondence, maintain confidential information, work independently, multi-task, prioritize tasks and meet deadlines, and provide information and assistance to the public.

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Mattapoisett, cited that due to lack of a definitive start date and protocols/guidelines from the state, that it is not feasible to plan programs and implement training and changes that would be necessary at this time. "We are extremely disappointed (that) we will not be able to offer our scheduled programs. This decision was made, as always, with the safety of our children and their families in mind." Mattapoisett Recreation will continue to monitor the situation and hopes to get programs up and running as soon as protocols and safety allow.

ORPEA Friend of Education Award

Each year, the Old Rochester Professional Educators' Association (ORPEA) recognizes members of the community who positively contribute to the education and lives of our students.

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This year, the ORPEA would like to recognize all of our schools' parents and caregivers as being a crucial part of the educational process. It is only through this partnership with you that we have been able to continue to provide a rich and meaningful education to the students of Old Rochester. You truly are our Friends of Education.

St. Philip's to Open Safely on July 5

St. Philip's Episcopal Church, next to the Town Beach in Mattapoisett, announced that it will begin its 136th year of Summer Services following the guidelines established by the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Details for safely worshipping at St. Philip's will be announced later in June and also published in the church bulletin board.

Buzzards Bay Musicfest

Given the ongoing concerns and restrictions related to COVID-19, the Buzzards Bay Musicfest concert series scheduled for this July has been postponed to July 2021. This annual event has provided the highest quality classical and jazz music entertainment in Marion for 23 years.

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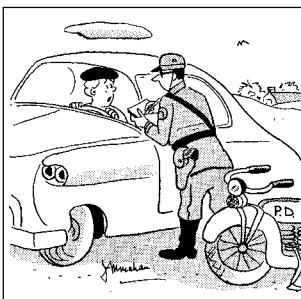
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Mattapoissett Library Books Bundles

Free Books Bundles are being given away each week outside the Mattapoissett Free Public Library, thanks to the Friends of the Library. The group gave the staff the okay to sort and offer book sale donations since sales have been postponed.

Bags of books for adults, teens, students, and very young patrons are lined up along the sidewalks from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The bags also contain information from the CDC on

staying safe and an envelope addressed to the Friends, should the patron wish to make a donation.

"The response was immediate," reported library director Susan Pizzolato. "From my office window, I could see families and individuals driving up and helping themselves to a bag. People are very appreciative. We are also distributing puzzles and DVDs."

The Book Bundle giveaway will continue at least until curbside delivery begins in several weeks. The library encourages all patrons who come to the library to observe social distancing and to wear a face-covering in case you meet a friend along the way.

Rochester Council on Aging

The full monthly newsletter is available on our website, www.rochestermaseniorcenter.com. Events and information is also on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/rochestercoa.

The Rochester Council on Aging continues to provide assistance to local seniors while the Senior Center building remains closed to the public. Staff members are working onsite and remotely during at this time. If



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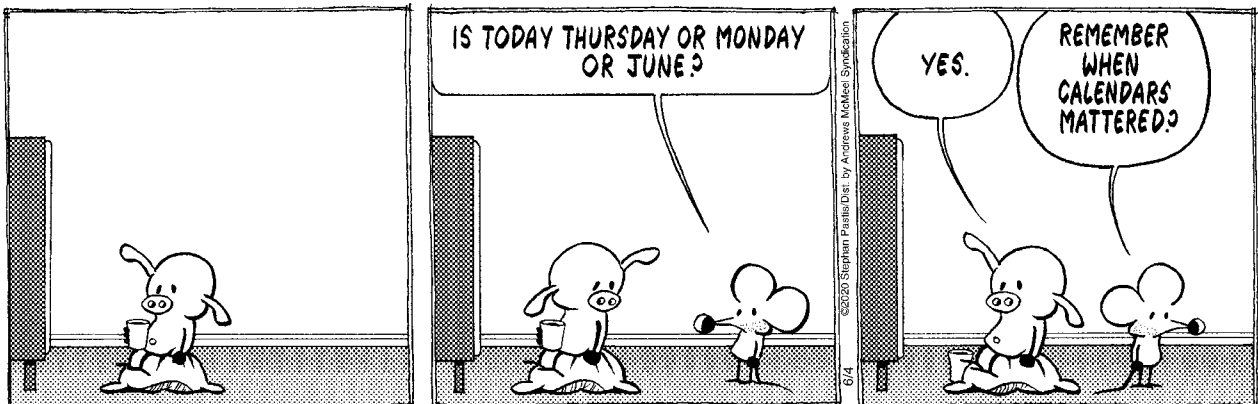
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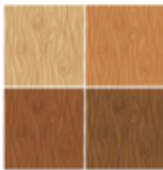
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AARP Tax Preparers are hoping to resume tax preparations in mid-June. If you were scheduled to meet with an AARP Tax Preparer and your appointment was canceled, someone will be contacting you in the next few weeks.

The Rochester Council on Aging continues to support food and nutritional needs with both pick-up and delivery available. This month's Greater Boston Food Bank distribution is scheduled for **June 10** from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at the Senior Center. The Senior Center also has volunteers available for grocery shopping. Volunteers will shop from a list provided by you, and deliver groceries to your home.

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Rebecca Sylvia	June 5
Aida Delano	June 6
Doreen Philie	June 6
Dylon Thomas	June 6
Lolly Nye	June 6
Lynne Nyman	June 6
Ryon Thomas	June 6
Avery E. Perkins	June 7
Albert Theriault	June 8
Christopher Hathaway	June 8
Jamie Roznoy	June 8
Kylie Faison	June 8
Leighton King	June 8
Megan Hathaway	June 8
Alan Hudson	June 9
Benjamin Moreno	June 9
Bonny Harper	June 9
Lisa Brown	June 9
Vivian Glazier	June 9
Maddison Sweeney	June 10
Polly Lawrence	June 10

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at www.wanderer.com. To submit information by regular mail, please send the person's name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.



TAMMY LOSES ALL OF HER STREET CRED



cards, and/or receive donated food items and are very much appreciated.

The Rochester Senior Center would also like to thank the thoughtful couple who donated a wheelchair accessible picnic table. It will be well utilized when summer luncheons resume.



From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

Rochester's Proprietors' (business owners) list contained not only the name of a Native American, but also that of a woman (somewhat rare for 1694).

Elizabeth Ellis, born Elizabeth White, was the daughter of Peregrine White, one of the original Pilgrims. Elizabeth's husband had been a proprietor and upon his death, she took his place. Unlike some of the proprietors who were simply investors and never set foot in Rochester, she lived on her land and her descendants remained in the area for generations.

Rochester has been always been home to strong, independent, and interesting women, two of whom shared a belief in the importance of libraries that spanned almost a hundred years.

Elizabeth Leonard was the wife of Charles Leonard who inherited the lands known today as East Over Farms. Beginning in 1853, he devoted himself to making the property into a "Gentlemen's Estate". Both he and Elizabeth adopted Rochester as their second home and Charles paid to fill swampland to complete Mary's Pond Road and connect it to Rochester Center. He also gave money for an endowment for the upkeep of the Center Cemetery.

After Charles' death in 1868, Elizabeth stayed on in Rochester for some years and continued



Dorothy (Gibbs) Bray Plumb



Elizabeth Leonard

to contribute to the town. In 1876, she donated money to endow the Rochester Free Public Library, which was in the old Academy building which is now the Vestry of the First Congregational Church. She also donated money to

OBITUARIES

Carolyn Ann Mitton Ford (Camie) of Marion, Boston, and Sarasota, FL passed away Friday, May 22, 2020, at the age of 77 after a long illness. She was a graduate of The Windsor School and Wheaton College.

She was the daughter of Edward Mitton and Carolyn Church Mitton. She is survived by her husband, Albert F. Ford II, four children: Jennifer Church Dwinell Scala, Elise Richardson Dwinell-Koves, Albert F. Ford III, William Allen Ford, as well as three stepchildren: Darby Ford Valentini; Emily Ford Hinds and Andrew Albert Ford. Camie is survived by 4 grandchildren, 4 Step-Grandchildren and a brother, Edward John Mitton of Reisterstown, MD.

She was a fashion and jewelry designer, T.V. personality, published author and gracious hostess, great skier, sailed the oceans, traveled the world, and was the best mother any child could want.

A late summer funeral is planned.



Lorraine M. (Graham) Ward, 88, passed away peacefully of natural causes on Saturday, May 30, 2020. She was born on June 6, 1931 in Perth Amboy, NJ, and was raised in Arlington, MA. She's a graduate of Boston College and married Robert Ward in 1953. She moved to upstate New York, started a family and returned to MA

in 1971 moving to Lexington. It was then, while raising a family, she continued her education and received her Master's in Speech-Language Pathology. Lorraine taught and was a respected member of the Lexington Public School system for 26 years as a Speech-Language Pathologist. She lived her last 15 years in Hingham, MA at Linden Ponds.

She loved walking from her home in Lexington to socialize at local coffee shops in the center of town and being the last one to leave the beach at the end of the day. Lorraine was passionate about her work in the Lexington Public Schools. Her relationships with staff and children were strong.

She will be lovingly remembered by her sister Vera (Graham) DeCosta and husband Deke of Wakefield; her children, Elizabeth (Beth) Ward of Mattapoisett; Michael Ward and wife Kimberly of Mattapoisett; John Ward and wife Tamara of Tewksbury and Thomas Ward and wife Patricia of Marshfield. Her precious grandchildren will miss their "GIA", Elizabeth (Betsy) Sylvia, Rebecca Sylvia, Julia Ward, Ryan Ward, Beatrice (Trixie) Ward, Allison (Ally) Ward and Margaret Ward, and many nieces and nephews.

Lorraine was predeceased by her husband Robert Ward and sister Patsy Guida.

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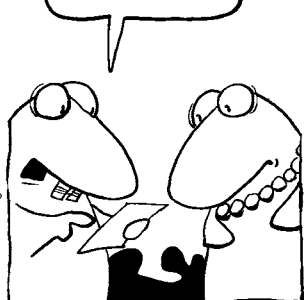


SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey

NOW THAT I'M IN BRACES,
THERE ARE A FEW FOODS
THAT ARE OFF-LIMITS...



VEGETABLES,
FOR EXAMPLE.



BEST TO JUST GIVE
THEM UP ALTOGETHER.



I SEE ONLY
ONE VEGETABLE
ON THE LIST.

AND CARAMEL CORN IS NOT
REALLY A VEGETABLE.



IT'S THE
BEST ONE!

renovate and refurbish the First Congregational Church.

In 1892, the town decided to build the current Town Hall. At that time, Elizabeth donated \$2000 (half the money needed) for the building with the requirement that a library was included in the plans. That library which was in what is now the Assessor's Office continued there until Plumb Library was built.

Dorothy Bray Plumb was an interesting person with a "quirky" sense of humor who enjoyed town activities according to Arthur Lionberger. In 1970, Dorothy donated both the land and the money to build a new library to replace the one in Town Hall that the town had outgrown. She enlisted the help of Robert Sherman, a local builder, to design and construct a building that was at home with the existing architecture on the town green. The Joseph H. Plumb Library, a memorial to her late husband's love of books, opened in 1976. Their pictures and her husband's oversized rocking chair are in the library, as well as, portraits of Elizabeth and Charles Leonard.

Marion Annual Town Meeting and Election

The Annual Town Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, **June 22** at 6:45 pm.

The meeting location will remain at the Sippican Elementary School, 16 Spring Street. Due to the need for social distancing, chairs will be arranged seven feet apart in the multi-purpose room, cafeteria, and gymnasium. This configuration will seat approximately 170 residents. Couples and/or people sharing a household will not be required to sit seven feet apart.

The Tabor Academy field house will allow space for additional residents, if needed.

The town has established a reservation system for residents who plan to attend in person. Residents who RSVP to attend are encouraged to arrive early to facilitate check-in and get to an assigned chair in one of the designated rooms. All residents who register to attend must wear a face mask.

The multi-purpose room will be used to broadcast the meeting to the cafeteria and the gymnasium, as well as the Tabor field house if used, and to Zoom. Communication set up between the rooms will allow for questions.

Please RSVP by June 15, 2020, by emailing Debra Paiva at dpaiva@marionma.gov. If you are not able to email, you can make a reservation to attend by calling Debra Paiva at 508-748-3520. When making a reservation, please provide your address and telephone number and specify whether you wish to be seated singly or as a couple/members of the same household.

The Town Election is scheduled for Friday, **June 26** at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill

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Street. The revised voting hours will be 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. Please visit www.MarionMA.gov to view a sample ballot.

Everyone is asked to bring their own black pen, mask, and gloves. Social distancing will limit the number of voters in the building to 10 at one time, and voting booths will be separated and cleaned after each use.

In an effort to encourage voting by mail, the Town Clerk has mailed each registered voter in town an Early Voting Ballot Application. Voters are encouraged to take advantage of the vote by mail option to reduce the potential voter interactions at the polls and potential wait times due to the limited number of voters allowed in the building at one time.

You have to be a registered voter in order to participate in the Annual Town Meeting and vote in the Annual Town Election. At this time, the Town House is closed to the public; however, you may register online here: www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr. If you would like to check the address, status or party on your voter registration, please go to: www.sec.state.ma.us/voterregistrationsearch.

Questions or concerns about early voting, voting applications, or ballots can be directed to Town Clerk Lissa Magauran at 508-748-3502 or LMagauran@MarionMA.gov.

Rochester Historical Society Meeting Canceled

The Rochester Historical Society will not be holding its **June 17** meeting and program. Hopefully the "Lighting the Way" program can be presented in the fall. Until then, on "The Lighting the Way" website from the Whaling Museum, you can watch 10 two-minute videos on area women who have positively impacted their communities and you can vote on your favorites. For more information, visit www.historicwomensouthcoast.org

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

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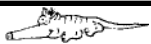
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Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	June 4	7:24	7:51	1:14	12:52
Friday	June 5	8:16	8:41	2:07	1:39
Saturday	June 6	9:06	9:31	2:59	2:28
Sunday	June 7	9:57	10:21	3:47	3:17
Monday	June 8	10:47	11:11	4:30	4:05
Tuesday	June 9	11:39		5:09	4:52
Wednesday	June 10	12:03	12:32	5:49	5:41
Thursday	June 11	12:55	1:25	6:33	6:36
Friday	June 12	1:45	2:16	7:25	7:47
Saturday	June 13	2:33	3:05	8:21	9:13
Sunday	June 14	3:20	3:55	9:13	10:19
Monday	June 15	4:11	4:47	10:00	11:09
Tuesday	June 16	5:05	5:37	10:44	11:54
Wednesday	June 17	5:55	6:21	11:26	
Thursday	June 18	6:41	7:00	12:35	12:06
Friday	June 19	7:23	7:39	1:17	12:47
Saturday	June 20	8:05	8:18	1:59	1:29
Sunday	June 21	8:47	9:00	2:42	2:12
Phases of the Moon		Full Moon		June 5th	
		Last Quarter		June 13th	
		New Moon		June 21st	
		First Quarter		June 28th	



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

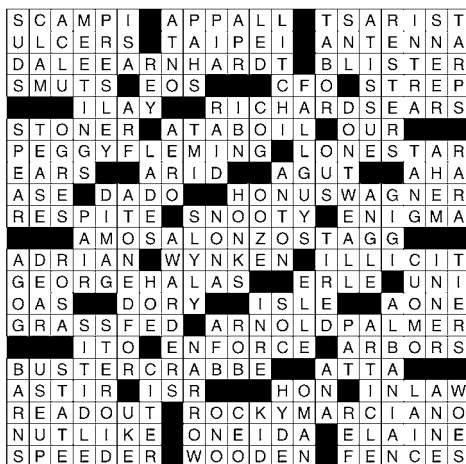
Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

In the May 28, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 2!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION



SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Upturn; 2. Debris;
3. Smear; 4. Dredge

Today's Word
BUDGET

Sudoku Answer

4	5	6	7	2	1	8	3	9
2	9	8	4	6	3	7	1	5
1	7	3	5	8	9	2	6	4
9	2	4	8	1	6	3	5	7
8	6	7	2	3	5	4	9	1
5	3	1	9	7	4	6	8	2
7	8	9	3	5	2	1	4	6
3	1	5	6	4	7	9	2	8
6	4	2	1	9	8	5	7	3

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